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Belmont Abbey College
Belmont, North Carolina



Pope John Paul II

Abbot Peter Stragand was elected to his present position in Belmont Abbey Monastery in November of 1978. Abbot Peter has served his constituency at Belmont Abbey in the roles of student, professor and monk. That he served and serves well was acknowledged by his election as Abbot only nine years after his ordination.

In 1961-62 Abbot Peter attended Belmont Abbey College for a year and a half and then transferred to Illinois Benedictine College at Lisle, Ill., where he graduated majoring in mathematics.

Returning to the Abbey in 1965 he joined the seminary and in the fall began teaching in the Mathematics Department. Fr. Peter remained at Belmont Abbey College until the Spring of 1968 when the seminary was closed and he transferred to St. Vincent's Arch Abbey in Pennsylvania to complete his spiritual training. One year later he returned to North Carolina where he was ordained a priest in May of 1969 at the Belmont Abbey Cathedral. Thereafter he continued his studies at Chapel Hill and from there received his Masters Degree in Mathematics.

Fr. Peter has been recognized for his talent and hard work by the members of the monastery and his contributions have led to his position as Abbot of Belmont Abbey Monastery and spiritual leader of Belmont Abbey College. Ad multos annos!

His Holiness Pope John Paul II, born Karol Wojtyla in Poland, was elected to the Papacy on Oct. 16, 1978 — the 263rd successor to St. Peter. At age fifty-eight, John Paul II is the youngest pope to be elected in over a hundred years, and also has the distinction of being the first non-Italian pope since 1522.

Pope John Paul II began his priestly studies in 1943 in an underground seminary during the time of the German occupation of Poland and was ordained four years later in 1946. He gained recognition for his hard work and contributions to the church and was designated Archbishop of Crakow in 1962. After achieving international prominence at the Second Vatican Council his popularity increased and finally led to his present position as head of the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1979 the United States was honored by a seven day visit from the pope during which he visited a number of cities. Catholics and non-Catholics alike traveled hundreds of miles to view the newly elected pope and make him welcome. Among those travelers were twenty-two Abbey students who went to Washington, D.C., October 7, 1979 to see him.

His messages to the youth of the United States were particularly welcomed and in his special message to the Youth of American at Madison Square Garden Pope John Paul II said "When you wonder about the mystery of yourself, look to Christ who gives you the meaning of life. When you wonder what it means to be a mature person, look to Christ who is the fullness of humanity."

As a Catholic institution, therefore, we are proud to include Pope John Paul II's picture in the hope that it will serve as an inspiration to the students and friends of Belmont Abbey College through the years.



Abbot Peter Stragand, O.S.B.



SUCCESSION OF ABBOTS

Abbot Leo Haid, 1885

Abbot Vincent Taylor, 1924

Abbot Walter Coggin, 1959

Abbot Edmund McCaffery, 1970

Abbot Jude Cleary, 1975

Abbot Peter Stragand, 1978





In the fall of 1872, the Reverend Jeremiah J. O'Connell purchased the Caldwell Plantation in Gaston County. He gave the land to the Diocese of Richmond in 1875, which in turn gave it to the Benedictine Monks of St. Vincent's Abbey in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. On January 19, 1876, the monastic community of St. Vincent's voted in favor of accepting the land for the purpose of building a college.

Fr. Herman Wolf and two boys from Richmond, the first two Abbey students, arrived at the plantation on April 21, 1876, since designated as "Founder's Day". The name of the plantation was then changed to "Maria Stein". On the 25th of April, five lay brothers arrived from St. Vincent's and the work began.

In the fall of 1876, in a log cabin built by four students, the two from Richmond plus two from Charlotte, the first classes were held. The official opening of St. Mary's College took place in September of 1878. By the next year the enrollment had increased to thirty-nine students. On Bastille Day of 1885, the Reverend Leo Hald was elected the first Abbot. For the next fifteen years, the college and the Abbey both grew so that by 1900 there were fifty-nine in the monastic community and 120 students.

On May 19, 1900, a fire broke out in the new west wing of the college. A mass was hurriedly said in the Abbey Church with all vestments and chalices packed for a speedy removal. However, during the sacrifice of the Mass the wind changed and the rest of the college was spared. Through much hard work, a new building was up before the end of the year. In 1906, St. Leo's Hall was begun.



The name Belmont Abbey College was decided upon for the institution and on Thanksgiving Day, 1913, it was officially changed from St. Mary's College to Belmont Abbey College.

Abbot Vincent Taylor became the second Abbot of Belmont Abbey on August 20, 1924, shortly after the death of Abbot Leo Hald. Abbot Vincent supported the academic program, and launched a program of higher learning for the teachers at the college. The old sub-academic studies and the old rules were dropped in favor of newer, more liberal ideas and a junior college was established.

During 1929 and 1930, an athletic field was graded and the most modern design in athletic building for its time was constructed, the Leo Hald Gymnasium. The ground floor of St. Leo's, which had formerly been the gymnasium, was converted into a library of some 30,000 volumes in 1930. The books were gathered from the monastery, and the new facility was staffed by

ABBEY



HISTORY



young Benedictine monks.

Belmont Abbey College was admitted into the Southern Association in 1936, the same year that Father Cuthbert Allen was appointed rector of the school. Fr. Cuthbert maintained his distinguished association with the college until his death in 1978. In 1952, under the leadership of Abbot Vincent Taylor as president, the Abbey was reorganized as a senior college.

The fact that Belmont Abbey is a small, liberal arts college did not exclude it from the changing times. The 60's was a period of confusion including the burning of draft cards, the Viet Nam War, and the civil rights movement. In May of 1969, six Abbey students belonging to the Black Student Union, staged a civil rights protest by seizing the Science Building.

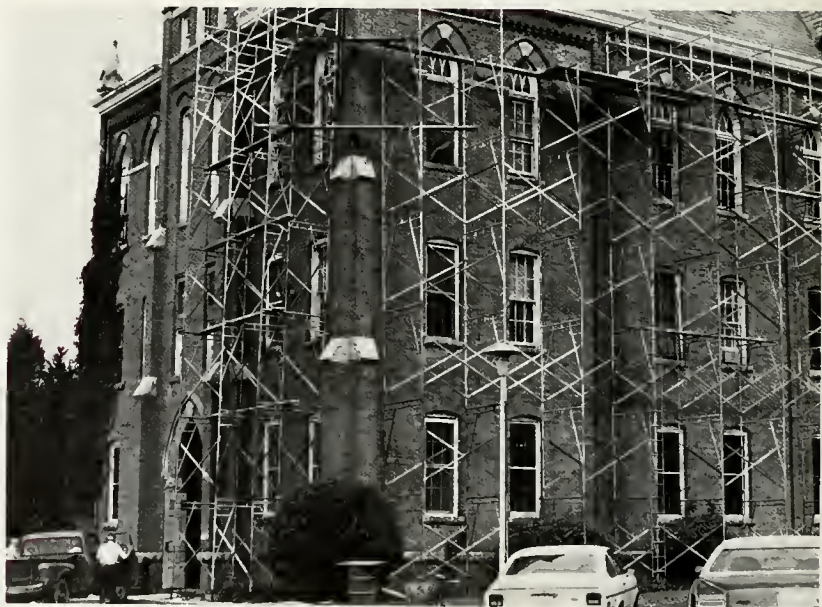
The 60's also included the 1965 renovation of the Abbey Cathedral and the institution of a major construction campaign on the campus. This began with the building of the Abbot Vincent Taylor Library, which was opened for use in 1958. O'Connell dorm was built in 1962, and was followed by the construction of Poellath Dorm and Maurus Dining Hall in 1963. 1967 marked the completion of the Raphael Arthur Dormitory and the William Gaston Science Hall was opened for use in 1968. That stage of expansion was completed with the construction of the Wheeler Center for Physical Education in 1970.

Changes did not just pertain to the students and campus physical plant. In 1970 Fr. Bradley became the first secular priest to hold the presidential office at the college and under his direction in 1972 Belmont Abbey College underwent its most dramatic change by becoming a co-educational college. O'Connell dormitory was restructured during the summer to facilitate women. There were 59

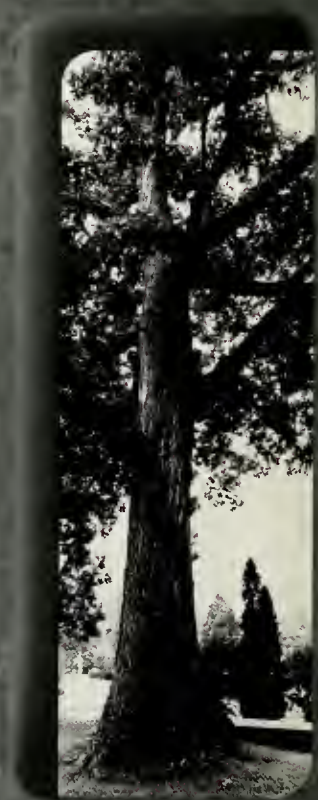
women living on campus and 45 commuting the first year. The enrollment of women has since increased to the present total of 286.

1976 brought Belmont Abbey College into its centennial year. The monastery was remodeled, and plans were laid for the renovation of many other buildings. Other changes in the centennial year included the secularization of the Board of Trustees, as well as the gradual institution of visitation privileges in the dormitories.

In 1979 Fr. Tobin became the new president of the college. Like Fr. Bradley, he is not a Benedictine monk, yet both have brought many progressive changes to Belmont Abbey College. These recent changes coupled with those of the past decade, have encouraged the growth of Belmont Abbey from its humble beginnings in 1876 through its increasingly complex years since 1952 as a senior college to the present. Belmont Abbey College now looks into a problematical future with expectancy, hope, enthusiasm, and an unshakeable trust in the goodness of God.







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Fr. Neil W. Tobin

The Very Reverend Provost John P. Bradley was fortunate enough to be born a Scotsman and has brought to Belmont Abbey College a truly delightful Scotch sense of humor in addition to his eruditeness. Fr. Bradley received his S.T.B. in 1940 and was ordained in 1944 at St. Peter's College in Scotland. He attended Collegio Scozzesi in Rome and later received his B.A. and M.A. at Oxford. Fr. Bradley came to Belmont Abbey in 1952 to teach classics and philosophy, and later left the Abbey to take up duties with Goodwill Publishers in Gastonia and then as an editor with Doubleday Publishing Company. He specialized in theological books there, returning in 1970 at the request of Abbot Edmund McCaffrey to accept the presidency of Belmont Abbey College. Fr. Bradley held this office for eight exciting years, and then became the Provost, a position which he presently holds with great distinction.

Among his achievements as president were the establishment of a co-educational curriculum for the Abbey in 1975, and the reorganization of the Board of Trustees in 1976. The Board, originally eight monks, thereafter was expanded to include a more diverse group of individuals from the local area. By introducing businessmen and other leaders of the community the Abbey thus introduced new ideas from the public sector resulting in the improvement of the school's overall interests and prospects.

Fr. John Bradley feels that through the achievements of its students and the prestige that the college has gained for itself the Abbey will extend its public recognition much more broadly. As a result of strong school pride and school spirit and academic excellence he hopes that the Abbey will receive the funds and attract the philanthropy needed to meet the costs of further development.

Thank you, Fr. Bradley, for your continuing dedication to Belmont Abbey College and its future. Ad multos annos!

The Very Reverend Fr. Neil W. Tobin was born on July 14, 1932 in Worthington, Iowa. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree at Loras College in 1954, later earning the S.T.B. and S.T.L. at Gregorian University in Rome, and the M.A. and Ph.D. at Fordham University.

Fr. Tobin accepted the Presidency of Belmont Abbey College on June 1, 1978. Soon after his arrival Fr. Tobin initiated a number of improvements. Included was the re-evaluation of the freshman curriculum to provide students with a more effective background in communication skills, the humanities, the sciences, and mathematics. A newsletter "Around the Campus" was circulated on a weekly basis to improve the exchange of information and campus communication. In addition the preliminary renovation of St. Leo's was begun, new furniture was purchased for the dormitory lounges, and two computer systems for the Business and Data Processing departments were added.

Fr. Tobin plans to continue renovation of the physical plant by completely overhauling the second floor of the Administration Building and the third floor of St. Leo's. He is also making plans for a new addition to the cafeteria, Maurus Hall, and the initiation of a new capital fund drive to raise the additional monies needed for all these improvements.

Not only is Fr. Tobin interested in the interior and exterior of buildings, but he is also interested in the grounds and general landscaping.

Clear it is then that Fr. Neil Tobin is extremely well rounded in his interests in Belmont Abbey College and the future looks bright both for the Abbey and its new President. Ad multos annos!



Fr. John P. Bradley



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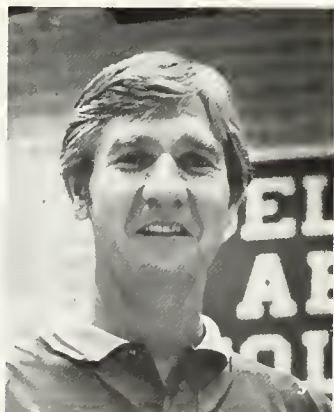
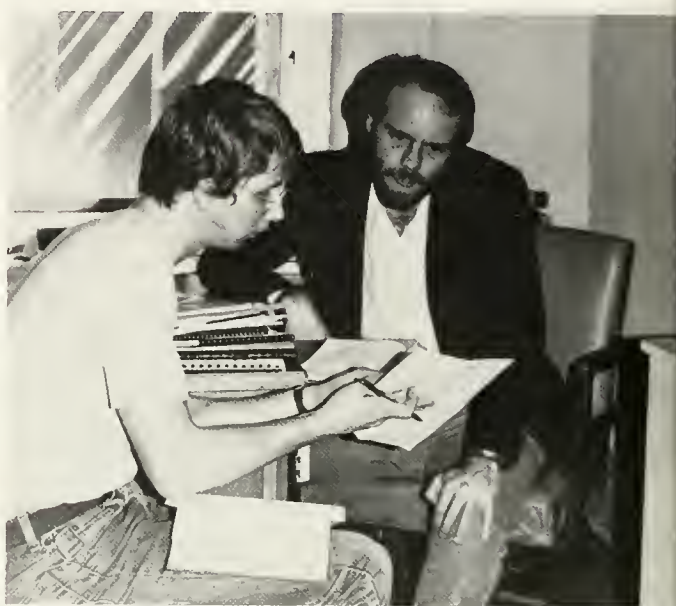
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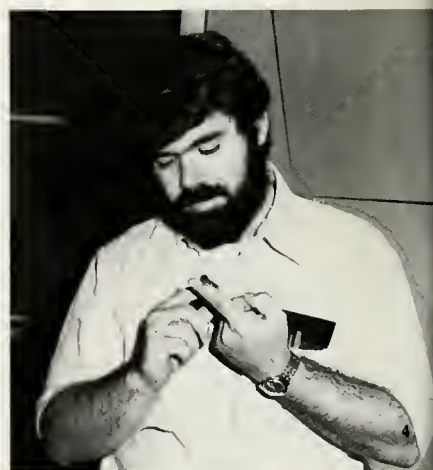
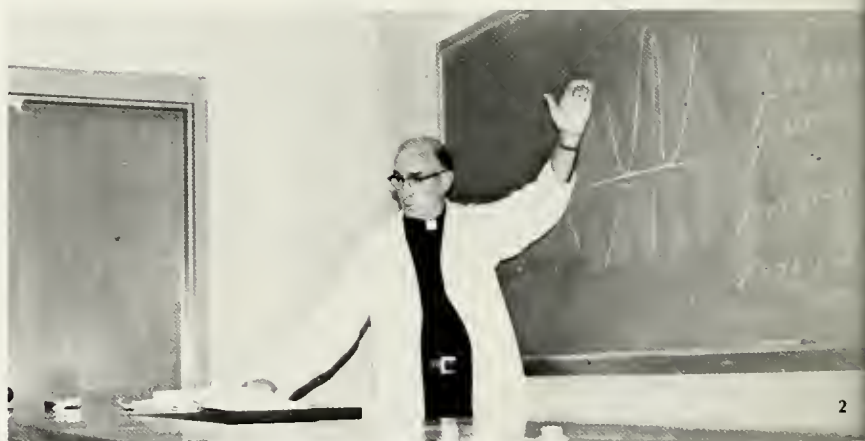
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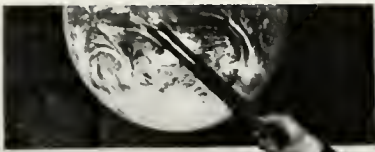


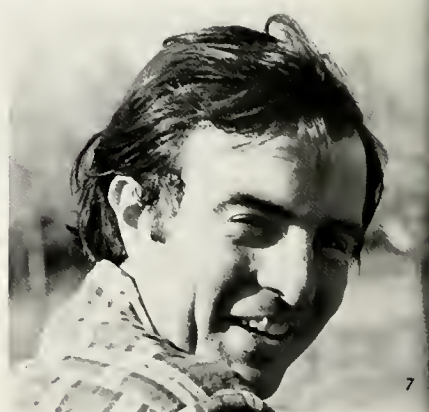
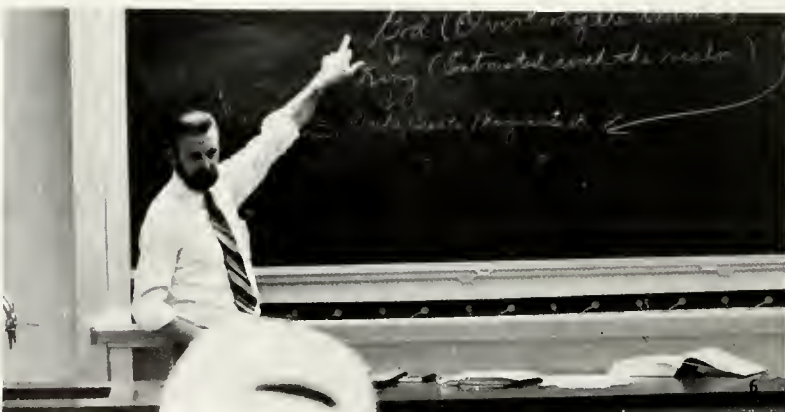
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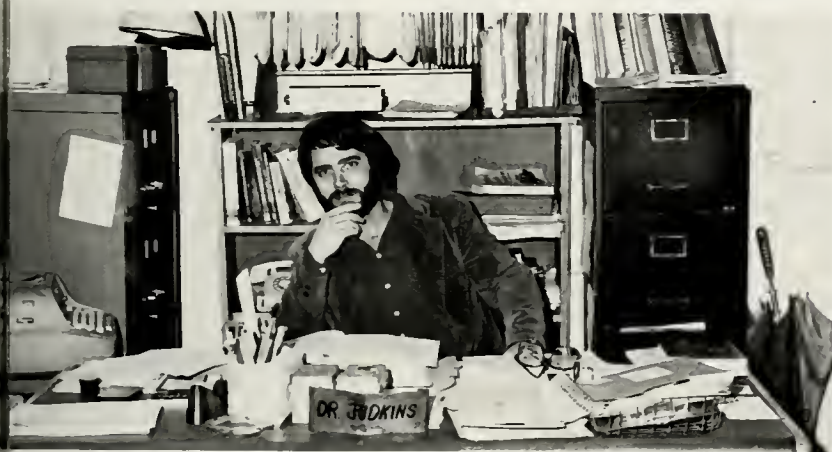






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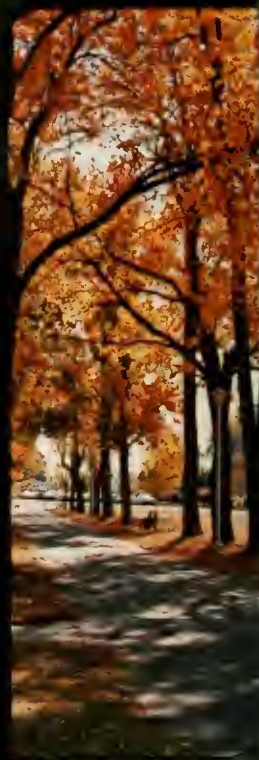
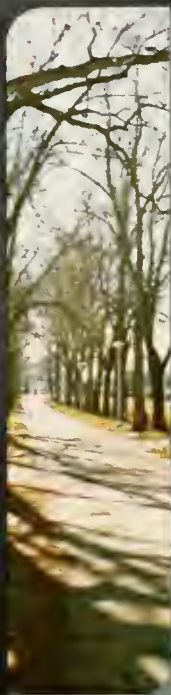


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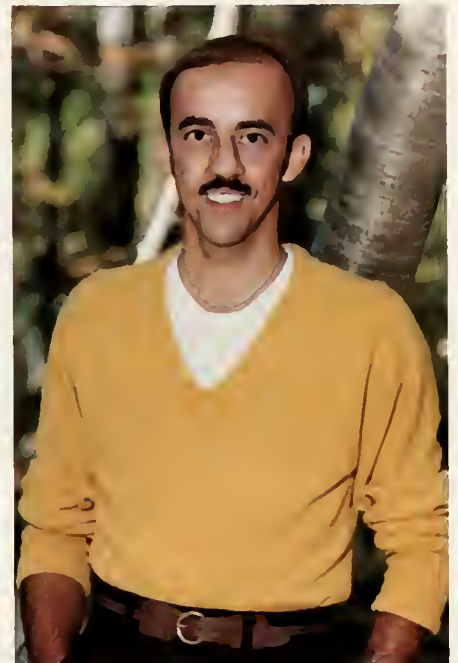
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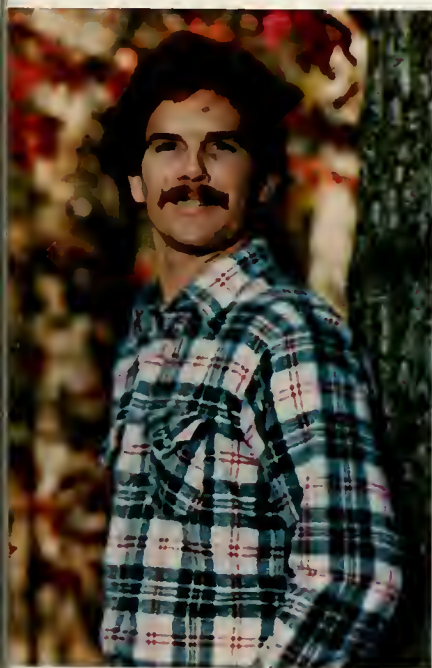
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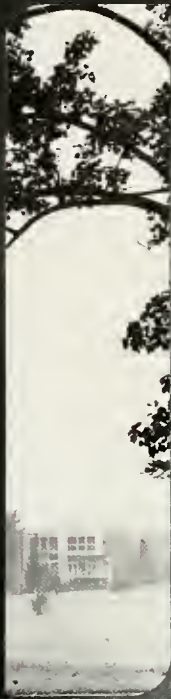
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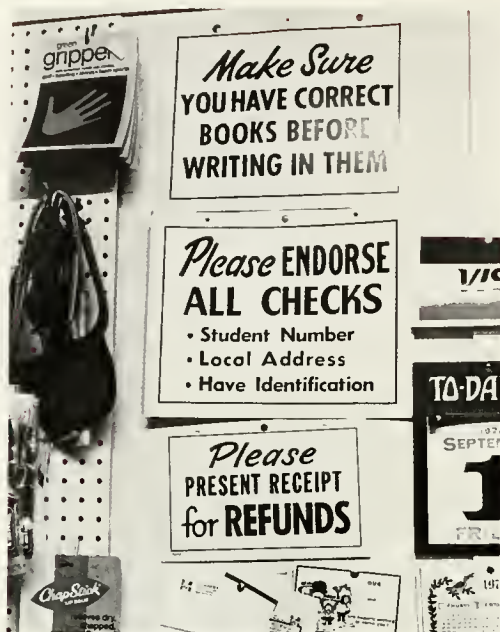


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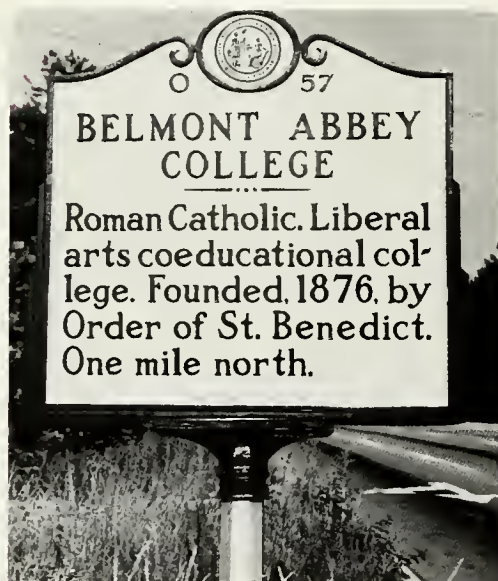




Who pulled the plug?



Wasn't it delicious?



Our profs put to rest in May 1980



Before the Wall

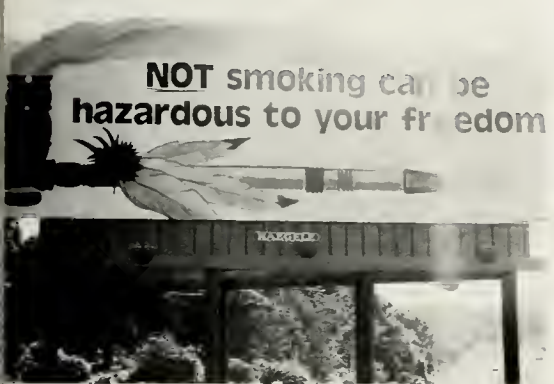




Cinderella's Castle?



You Passed It



Laurel & Hardy



One Step,-Two Step,-Thr



Where It Used To Be At



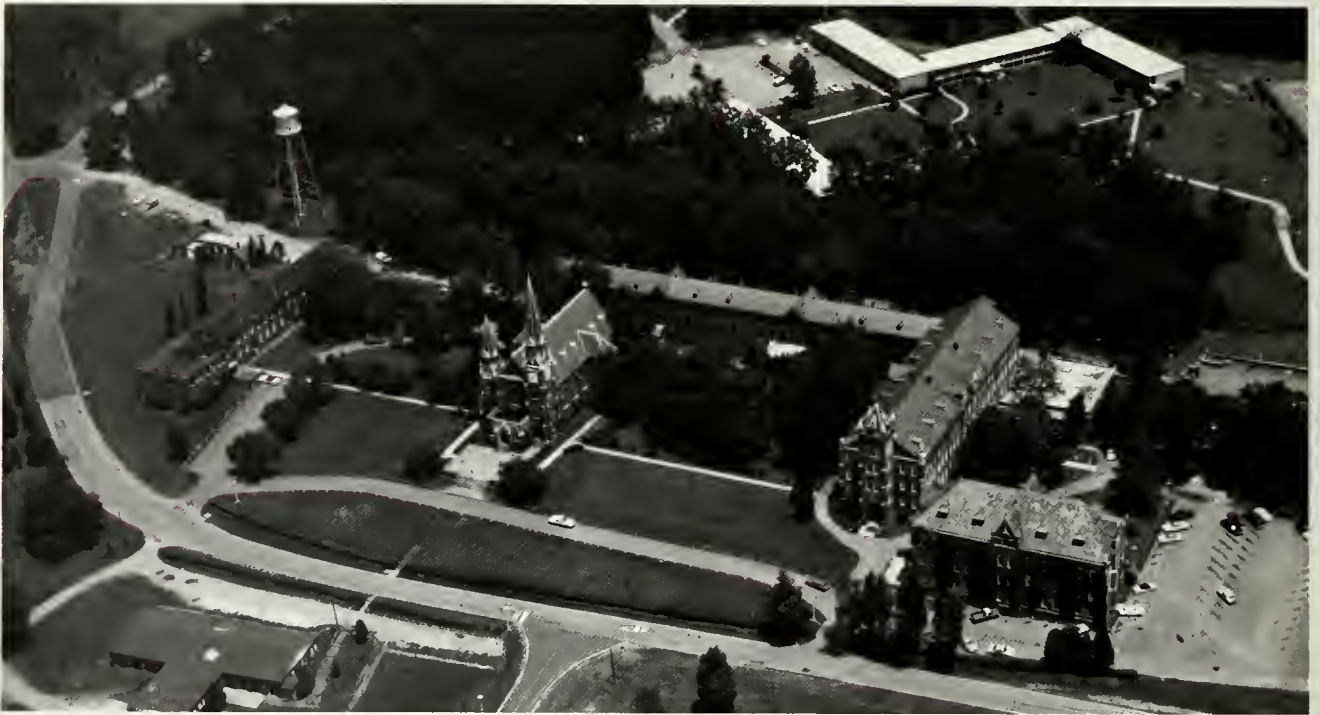
You Are Almost There



We finally did it!



another day . . .



No it's not fortrel polyester.



**another brother-sister
routine**



Let's clear the house.



Stairway To Heaven



Walled off Astoria



Cutting! When Were You In The Library?



The Right Mike!



Ice Man



Who Did You Feed That To?



Salt Talks IV



Goodby



Simply Devine



Tongue and cheek?



What a motley crew



Superfly!



Hi, are you new?



"The Odd Couple"



Kitty come down out of that tree





Cool And The Gang



It's After 11, Parents, Do You Know Where Your Children Are



Home Sweet Home



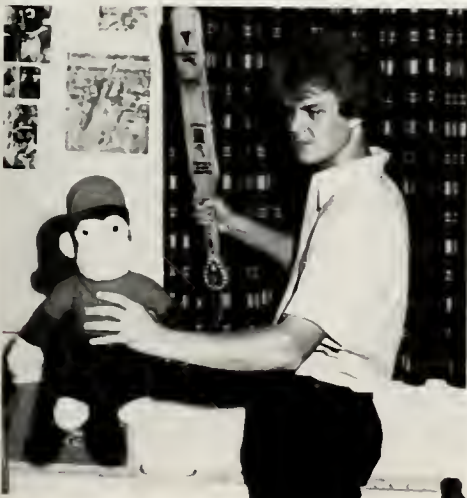
Barrell of Monkeys



Belly Up To The Bar



Deadly Aim — Poison Darts?





Abbey Couple



Just Married



Disco Dudko



Monsoon Season



John McLoughlin



"306"



Hold Me Back



Disco Toga!!



Party Hardy At TKE!!



The Winston Man



Trend Setter

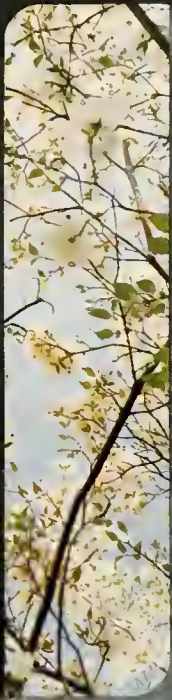


Bo Peep, Where Are Your Sheep?



"The Quad"







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CIRCLE K CLUB

Belmont Abbey Circle K Club is sponsored by the Belmont Kiwanians. Non-profit and business orientated, Circle K projects are a benefit to local residents, and an experience in community relations for its members.

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 Eileen Jewel

Mohamed Braima
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 Mr. Dudko — Sponsor
 Lisa Birmingham — Not pictured
 Dan Duke — Not pictured



BIOLOGY CLUB

The Belmont Abbey Biology Club was founded in the fall of 1979 in order to establish a continuing community of persons interested in the biological sciences and to present a series of speakers on behalf of these sciences.

Michael J. Kavanaugh — Pres.
 David Gillikin — Vice-Pres. for Coordination
 Julia Booth — Vice-Pres. for Finance
 Denise Montanaro — Vice-Pres. for Cultural Affairs
 John Boyer — Vice-Pres. for Environmental Affairs

Other members of the club are:
 Laura Rowland
 Jim Andriole
 Kim McDaniel
 Nancy Hollingse
 Addy Jean Morales
 Jim Grey
 Barbara Williams
 Stan Barone



A black and white portrait of a woman with dark, wavy hair and heavy eye makeup, including dark eye makeup and large, dark lips. She is looking slightly to the right of the camera. The background is dark and indistinct.

Advisor: Dr. George Herndl

WHO'S WHO

Who's Who is awarded each year to outstanding juniors and seniors based on the following: academic and extra-curricular accomplishments, qualities in citizenship, service to the college, excellence in scholarship and leadership and promise of future usefulness to business and society. A committee of faculty, administration, and students determine by vote the students to be awarded Who's Who.

Mr. James M. Andriole, Mr. Robert Lawton Blandford, Ms. Julia Lynn Booth, Mr. John Eric Boyer, Mr. Thomas Kevin Burke, Mr. Michael P. DiFazio, Mr. Andrew T. Doris II, Mr. Richard J. Dougherty, Ms. Robbin Marie Flanagan, Mr. David P. Gillikin, Mr. Thomas M. Kaiser, Mr. Michael J. Kavanaugh, Ms. Nancy Marie Manera, Ms. Ellen Marie Mulholland, Mr. David W. Pierce III, Ms. Barbara Ann Prolo, Mr. Michael Anthony Rossi, Ms. Laura Marie Rowland, Mr. William F. Spillane, Mr. Garrett Stapleton, Jr.



John Boyer, Michael Difazio, Lawton Blandford, James Andriole, Andrew Doris, Michael Kavanaugh, Tom Kaiser, David Gillikan, Richard Dougherty, Julia Booth, Barbra Prolo, Laura Rowland, Nancy Manera, Ellen Mulholland, Dave Pierce, Michael Rossi, Bill Spillane, Garett Stapleton.

BELMONT ABBEY'S HONOR



PHI SIGMA TAU

The Beta of North Carolina Chapter of Phi Sigma Tau, the National Honor Society in Philosophy, was established in 1979. Its aim is to promote debate of intellectual issues through discussion groups, annual lectures and other activities. Membership is open to all students who have shown both interest and excellence in the study of philosophy. Students must have 12 hours of philosophy with an A average.

Tom Kaiser (PRES), Nancy Manera (VICE-PRES.), Lawton Blandford (SEC/TREAS.), Mike Butler, Richard Dougherty, Chuck Forester, Mary Celeste Gleason, Michael Kavanaugh, Nancy Pekarek.

DELTA EPSILON SIGMA



The Gamma Iota Chapter of Delta Epsilon Sigma National Honor Society was established in 1959. Membership in this organization is an acknowledgment of scholastic achievement and a stimulus to further intellectual growth.

All students chosen must have been on the Dean's List for five (5) semesters. Inducted in March 1980 were Michael G. Ramsey, Mary F. Healy, Victoria Gray Jones, Kitty Preston, Barbara D. Payne, Richard J. Dougherty, Donna Holland Stowe, Laura Marie Rowland, Victor Ephrem, Fr. Paschel Baumstein O. S. B., and a transfer member Fr. Placid Solari O. S. B.

SOCIETIES

PI GAMMA MU

The College chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, the national Social Science Honor Society, was founded in 1971. The purpose of the society is to improve scholarship in the social studies, to inspire social service to humanity and to engender sympathy toward others with different opinions by better understanding. The motto of the society is the epigram of the Master Teacher, "ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." A "B" average in one's major courses and at least nine hours of social science with a "B" average are needed to qualify for membership.





SENIOR STAFF: Lawton Blandfore—Program Director, John Monk—Music Manager, Peter Pope—Production Manager, Mary Alice Mahan—News Director, Anthony Bahakel—Office Manager, Moira Hally—Chief Announcer, Kirk Brague—Moderator.

This is the 27th year of WABY's existence. It started out as a club, and then with donations from different radio stations in the area, was able to formulate a real radio station. With the support of the Administration and the student body over the years, Abbey Radio has enjoyed much success, and many of the staff members of WABY have pursued many different careers in the field of broadcasting. Broadcasting an average of seven hours a day, WABY involves a number of students that freely give of their time to provide good radio entertainment to the students of BAC and the surrounding community while broadcasting on WCGC. The general staff members are John Boyer, Chris Jackson, Angela Kollar, Jeff Luckenbach, Kevin McKane, Joe Pandolfo, Laura Perucci, Chuck Somma, Donald Stankus, Ralph Suarez.





ABBEY PLAYERS

This was a transitional year for the Abbey Players. We were moved from our first floor theater in St. Leo's temporarily into the Haid until the theater on the third floor is renovated. The facility in the Haid was originally supposed to be completed by mid-October, which would have allowed a first-semester production, but in actuality it was not completed until Easter break in mid-April. Plans for the theater in the Haid were drawn by two members of the Players but were modified. Despite a few set-backs, the Players did produce a quite successful production of Thornton Wilder's **Our Town** on April 24-26. The leading roles were played by Kurt Helwig, Joan Gutshall, and Tom Kaiser with support from Anna Ellison, Chris Rosota, Rich Dougherty, John Monk, Joan Heron, Mary Walsh, Chris Nash, Ralph Bonano, Bob Piotrowski, Anne Guldán, and Terry Fordyce. The play was directed by Tom Kaiser who had to fill the role of George when the actor originally cast dropped out of the play. Assistant to the director was Liz Shaw and lighting was handled by Kathleen O'Donohue, Mary Celeste Gleason, and Terry Murphy. Many cast members worked overtime on costumes and other small jobs necessary to the production of a play. The advisor for the Abbey Players is Mrs. Jean Moore. The Players would like to extend their thanks to all those members of the student body and administration who were supportive and helpful during this past troubled year and ask for their continued support in the future.



SPIRE

A small but dedicated staff of interested Abbey students have produced this 1980 Spire Yearbook. Formally an annual publication, the book was resurrected after two years of non-existence due to a lack of funds. This year the school appropriated \$6,000 for the Spire, and the publication received final approval April 1, 1980 at which time the staff had raised the remaining \$8,000 dollars necessary for publication and operating costs.

After gaining permission to attempt a publication Mr. Jack Hanahan took the position as moderator and Stam Barone was elected editor-in-chief. The publication found very meager quarters in the basement of the Haid, the former campus security headquarters, serounged for equipment, and located the materials discarded when they were evicted from their previous office.

This organization is open to all students, and welcomes the sincerely interested. The Spire staff wishes to continue publishing a yearbook which accurately portrays Abbey life, and hopes, in the future, to receive more cooperation from the community as a whole.





SOUTHERN BENEDICTINE COLLEGE

Southern Benedictine College held its' final commencement exercises on May 13, 1979. Its' closing left many students out in the cold with no school to return to in the fall. BAC Administrators assured the SBC students they would do as much as they could to help them finish their education. A small group of 24 packed up and came to North Carolina. Some came because all of their hours transferred and others simply followed their friends. Being a transfer is like reliving one's freshman year. Many stuck together at first, but in the end all made friendships that will last a long time. "We are grateful to BAC for all the help in our time of need."

Sharon Allford, Miguel Arrieta, Martha Bahakel, James Burke, Andrew Fornaro, Carl Fuller, Beth Hammonds, Kathy Hammonds, Jo Ellen Hough, Kevin Johnson, Terri Loesser, Belinda McEwen, Melanie McNally, Marty Mahan, Joe Martin, Chris Rosato, Terry Schwarz, John Sagesser, Rudy Van Oekel, Ronnie Williams, Julie Wilson.



COMMUNICATIONS COMITTEE

The purpose of the Communications Board is to coordinate and support media activities. Involved in this organization are the following: WABY, the campus radio station; *The Spire*, which is the yearbook; *Agora*, the literary magazine and the *Free Lance*, which is the campus newspaper.

Mrs. Brenda Tyson, Chairperson; Mr. Kirk Brague, Dr. George Herndl, Bro. Paul Shanley, O.S.B., Mr. Jack Hanahan, Miss Nancy Manera, Miss Judy Probst, Miss Tina Sharborough, Mr. Stanley Barone, Mr. Lawton Blandford, Mrs. Kathy Drumm, Mr. Tom Hart, Mr. Alan Howard, Miss Karen Noel, Miss Janet Koenigsamen, Miss Kitty Preston.



BASH



Kirk Brague, Trisha McImail, Ellen Mullholland, Jenny Hillyard, Kathy Saultz, Janet Koenigsamen, Chuck Soma, Miriam Federal



The Belmont Abbey Sacred Heart College Union was founded in 1968, with Brother Gregory Corcoran as first director.

The philosophy of the Union is "College unions should provide entertainment of a cultural, social, recreational, and educational nature."

Students from Belmont Abbey College (BAC) and Sacred Heart College (SHC) are elected each year to represent the student body and form committees with specific duties in each area. This year's officers from BAC were Ellen Mullholland, President, and Janet Koenigsamen, Secretary. Kathy Saultz, Vice-President represented SHC.

The heads of the various committees were:

Social Committee
Jenny Hillyard (SHC)





Recreation Committee
 Jim Stallings (BAC)
 Charlotte Sappenfield (SHC)
 Friday Night Thing (FTN) Committee
 Trisha McIlmail (BAC)
 Addie Jean Morales (SHC)
 Co-Curricular Committee
 Chuck Somma (BAC)
 Angela Mancuso (SHC)

The directors from BAC and SHC respectively were Kirk Brague and Marian Federal. Their duties consisted of working with various committees and sub-committees such as Constitution and Calendar.

Co-Curricular Committee was in charge of bringing programs of educational and cultural value to the students. Such activities as guest speakers and entertainers, Coffee House gatherings, backgammon tournaments and campus movies were sponsored by the Co-Curricular Committee.

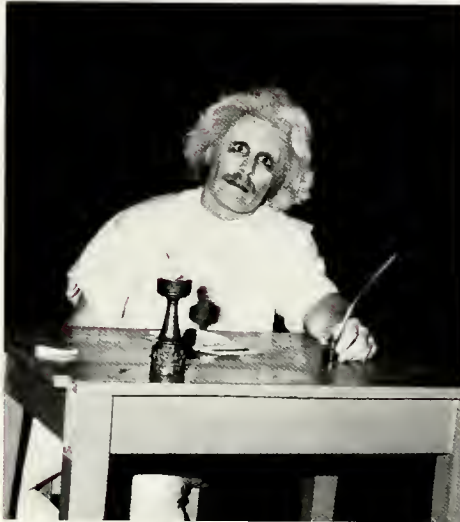
The Friday Night Thing Committee



brought us a variety of social entertainment from "a night at the horse races", "Casino night" and various dances throughout the year. After a long week of studying we all looked forward to these Friday night functions.

The Recreation Committee planned and promoted many adventures ranging from mountain skiing to beach weekends. In addition to weekend trips, the committee was responsible for all campus recreational activities.

The Social Committee was responsible for organizing the traditional three big weekends — Fall, Winter and





Spring Weekend. These weekends were organized to allow students, friends and family to gather to enjoy movies, concerts and a formal dance.

The College Union not only provides students with entertainment but also helps those involved in the management and organization learn the skills of leadership, budgeting, planning and evaluating.

All students are paying members of the BASH Union through tuition fees. To become an active member a student need only to attend one of the meetings in the beginning of the year and volunteer. The Union encourages student involvement and gladly welcomes participants.



SEMI-FORMALS 1979-'80





STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Association is the governing and representative body for students who wish to make changes through proper channels. The Association is comprised of the Senate and the Governor's Council, both of whose members are elected at the beginning of the year from each wing of the dormitories, and two from the commuting students. The members of the Senate also serve on various committees, such as the Communication Committee, Library Committee, and the Academic Affairs Committee to name only a few. All Senators have voting privileges except for the members of the Executive Board who vote only to break a tie. The Senators are elected from among their peers and attempt to be unbiased in representing the best interests and opinions of their wing.

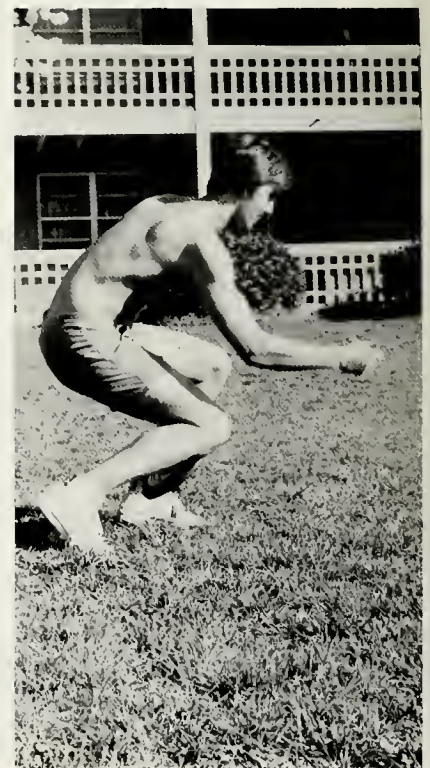
The Governor's Council are concerned with conditions in the residence halls and other aspects of campus life. They attempt to improve the quality of living and dining for the resident students.



GOV. COUNCIL: Stan Barone, Dave Graves, Kevin O'Donnel, Chuck Forester, Richard Dougherty, Bridget Hally, Betsy Rubendal, Rae Milner, Bill Farley (NP) Fr. Mo. Moderator.



SENATE: Paul Howard, Kitty Preston, Sandy Morgan, Dennis Stokes, Danny Robinson, Jim Andriole, Bob Casey, Chris Horn, Rich Bier, Tom Hart, Trisha McIlmail, Charlie Hofmann, Tim Carter, Pete Glenn, Joe Flaherty, Luke Lenahan, Julie Booth, Karen Van Sickle, Paul Heretic, Laura Perucci, Tom Gordon, John McIlmail, Wendy Hull, Patty Graham, and Dr. Betty Baker, moderator.





EXECUTIVE BOARD
Dennis Stokes, Charles Hofmann,
Julia Booth, Luke Lenahan



J U D I C I A L B O A R D



The basic philosophy of discipline at Belmont Abbey College is one of education. As such, it focuses on the growth and development of individual potentialities by encouraging self discipline and by fostering a respect for the rights and privileges of others.

In short, the J Board exists to aid individual students in their relationship and responsibilities toward other members of the college community and to foster the growth of this community.

The members are chosen thru application and interviewing process. They are Chuck Somma, Tracy Herring, Mary Lally, David Gilligan, Jean Evarts, Nancy Pekarek, Mary Celeste Gleason, Tom Kaiser, Sharon Reily, Janet Koenigsamen, Terry Murphy, Ann Guldán, Michael Kavanaugh, Fr. Maricio West is the moderator.

D I S C I P L I N A R Y B O A R D



The Discipline Committee aids the Vice-President of Student Affairs by sitting as a hearing board to adjudicate those matters refused to it and to determine by notes whether or not a student is guilty and then by a second vote they determine the appropriate sanction imposed.

The committee consists of two administrators selected and appointed by the President, two students selected from nominees submitted to the Student Association, and appointed by the President, and two faculty members voted on by the faculty.

Miss Rose Horman (Chairperson), Mrs. Brenda Tyson, Fr. David Brown, OSB, (Alternate), Fr. Lawrence Willis, OSB, (Alternate), Mr. Kirk Brague, Alternate, Mr. Eugene Thout, Mr. Joseph Graham, Mrs. Carol Harkey (Alternate), Dr. John Plecnik (Alternate), Mr. Joseph Flaherty, Miss Sandra Morgan, Mr. Richard Bier (Alternate), Miss Karen Van Sickle (Alternate).

DAY STUDENTS

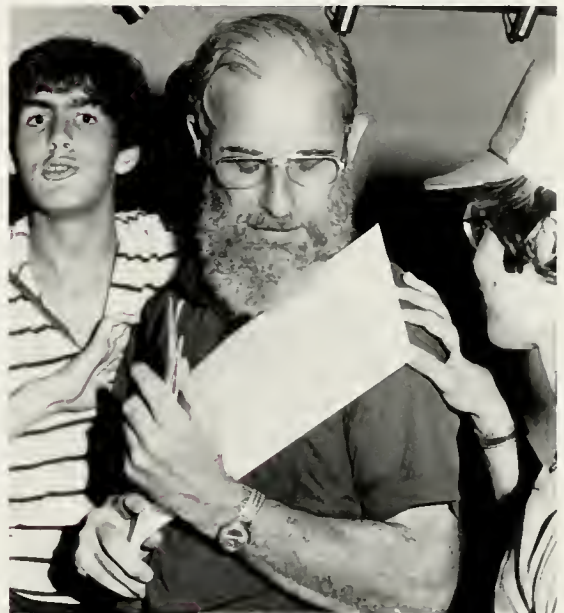
The Abbey's Commuting Students, a large, but usually inconspicuous group represent the local community to those of us who have been transplanted from hundreds of miles away. Often collectively referred to as "Day-Hops" a number of individuals are actively involved in student government and are important members of various organizations. The number of commuting students has been slowly increasing to the point where parking in day-lot is becoming extremely cramped. Dealing with this problem, along with scheduling more night classes, are two of the ways the Administration is attempting to incorporate these day students into the Abbey community. The president of the day students is Carolyn Bumgardner. Karen Noel, Molly Mullis and Jim Andriole are their representatives on the Student Senate.



CAMPUS MINISTRY

Campus Ministry witnesses to the gospel of Jesus Christ by teaching and preaching the word of God and by gathering together the community of Belmont Abbey College for worship and service. It is made manifest through liturgy and common prayer; activities of social concern and justice; retreats, counseling, educational events, social activities and other events at the Chi Rho House on campus.





HALLOWEEN PARTY





THE PRISON VISITS

Weekly visits by volunteers to Dallas Correctional Unit, a youthful offender's prison some ten miles from campus are unstructured, allowing informal social outlets and contact through games, refreshments, tutoring and recreational encounters with the inmates.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S HOME

Each Sunday afternoon Campus Ministry volunteers travel forty miles to visit senior citizens at Huntersville, N.C. These visits bring God's love to alleviate the chronic lonesomeness among the elderly. Much love is exchanged in spite of the pain which strengthens the hope and faith of the elderly.

Other activities sponsored by campus ministry are the Coffee Houses, Disco Dances, Bible studies, and get-togethers. Becoming a participating member of Campus Ministry is easy. There is no formal organization. Everyone who belongs, volunteers, shares, and pitches in for the success of all Campus Ministry programs. Everyone is welcome.



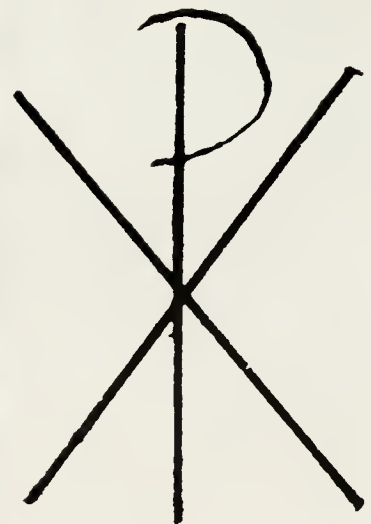


RETREATS

The retreatants take mountain hikes and tours of the cultural and historical sites in the Appalachians. They also play games like frisbee and softball, swim in the lake, watch movies, listen to tapes, and of course, eat wonderful meals prepared by the participants.

Twice a year "Big O" takes retreatants to Ocean Isle or Holden Beach and they all spend a weekend in a huge, luxurious beach house on the Atlantic Ocean. Participation in the retreats is open to any member of the Abbey Community.





PI KAPPA PHI

Each member of Pi Kappa Phi is an unique individual. It is the combination of these unique individuals that makes us a great fraternity.

We work hard for our goals.

We make possible the impossible.

We are one.

Just ask — who won GREEK WEEK?!!

Daniel E. Boehling — Pres.

Diego Garcia — V. Pres.

Jack Warmingham — Treas.

Robert J. Toomey — Sec.

Stephen Anderson

Michael Bauer

John Crowley

Charles Downing

Daniel Garcia

Keith Goode

Joseph Grillo

Thomas Hart

R. Terence Hoppenjans

Thomas Jones

Mark McKane

John McLoughlin

Thomas McNulte

Russell Roux

Bro. Paul Shanley, O.S.B.

William Smith

T. Gregory Wyatt





The Little Sisters of Pi Kappa Phi are a vital part of the fraternity of "Pi Kap".

Helping the brothers with car washes, bake sales, and social functions at the house, the sisters contribute to the success of any endeavor Pi Kap plans.

The sisters represent unity, cooperation, and friendship within the fraternity and through these three ideals, the sisters show the Belmont Abbey College Community the strengths of true sisterhood.

PI KAPPA PHI LITTLE SISTERS

Mary Alice Mahan — Pres.
Kathy Brady — V. Pres.
Missy Nolan — Sec.
Ann Beier — Treas.
Cindy Byrnes
Tracy Cedarburg
Jeanette DeLorenzo
Marianne Dreps
Pat Drescher
Lindsay Fife
Eileen Fitzpatrick
Geni Hanna

Maureen Hennelly
Madeline Herd
Chris Jacobs
Darka Kochanskij
Brenda Leal
Brenda Lucas
Cathy O'Connell
Cami Raimo
Karen Ryal
Julie Schuvert
Dawn Sorchych



TAU KAPPA EPSILON AND ORDER OF DIANA

Tau Kappa Epsilon is the oldest fraternity on campus having just celebrated its 20th anniversary on February 14th, 1980. This fraternity was organized to further the social development of interested young men. Over the years TKE has varied both in size and location. Once the largest fraternity, TKE lived in what is now known as the Chi Rho House. From there it moved across I-85 to the old church which presently belongs to Pi Kappa Phi. Finally, TKE settled in their last house across from Hardee's. The loss of that house combined with the diminished size projected a bleak future for TKE. However, the true meaning of brotherhood is exemplified by TKE's spirit which still thrives on campus. Their performance in the intramurals is proof of TKE's spirit. Although they only placed third in basketball, TKE placed first in volleyball, football and soccer and anticipates success in the softball competition.

The International Order of Diana, TKE's sisterhood, was first organized in 1968 on the Sacred Heart College Campus. It expanded to Belmont Abbey College three years after the Abbey went coed. The sisterhood has since become totally comprised of Abbey Women. Because it takes a certain uniqueness to be an Order of Diana sister the membership has consistently remained between ten and fifteen members for the past twelve years.

TKE is unique, always has been and always will be. The loss of House and land has not been detrimental to the organization **instead it has worked to enhance the closeness found among TKE's and O.D.'s.**

Alan Jones — President
Paul V. Heretick — Vice-President
William Kelly — Secretary
Franklin Lawson — Treasurer

BROTHERS

Patrick L. Bisese
Edward Hickey
Stephen Leyden
Stephen Edward Reilly
James V. Slevin
Paul Stamoullis
Antonio Suarez
Geoffrey A. Tierney

ORDER OF DIANA

Becky Breen — President
Judy Dever — Vice-President
Nettsey Resye — Secretary/Treasurer
Suzaane Rea — Historian
Angela Florschutz
Kelly Fitzpatrick
Karen Martin
Elleen Moody
Kathleen O'Donohue
Barbara Zappone

PLEDGES

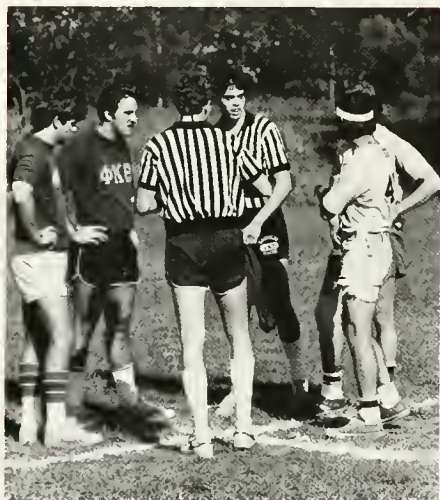
Alex Arce
Vito Barone
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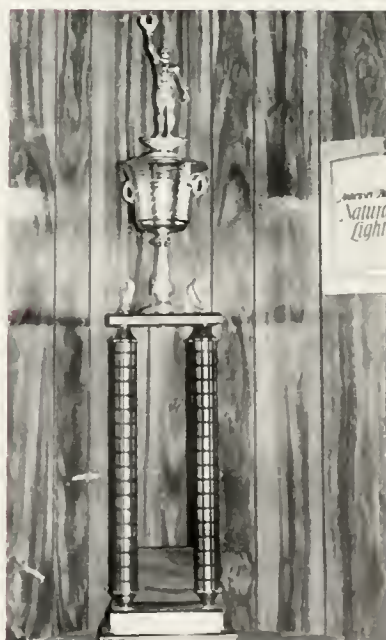




IFC Greek Week

IFC Greek Week! An annual event on Belmont Abbey Campus is anxiously anticipated by all Greeks as an opportunity to pit their brawn as well as brains (and don't forget beer) against each other. Some of the events included in the competition are swimming, college bowl football, chugging contest and various events on Saturday such as an eating contest, chariot races and others. This year Pi Kappa Phi won the games and was awarded the trophy to keep until next year.





I.F.C.

The IFC, Interfraternity Council was organized to foster a spirit of cooperation and community among the different Greek groups. This spirit usually culminates in the Greek games in which the fraternities compete for superiority in a number of different intellectual and athletic challenges.





O.S.C.

The Organized Sisterhood Council newly formed this year attempts to unite the girls into one working unit which would benefit both the school and the community and foster a feeling of good will and cooperation among the groups. Unfortunately this year the OSC was formed so late that the only project they had time to organize was a girls Greek Week. However, this was a good start and all the girls who participated were quick to admit that they enjoyed the week and got to know a lot of people they previously did not. Two representatives were chosen from each of the sisterhoods. They were:

Camie Raimd	of Phi Kap
Julie Booth	of APO
Bridget Hally	of APO
Ileen Moody	of TKE
Kathleen O'Donohue	of TKE
Ronnie Zayatz	of SigEP
Miss Nolan	of SigEP
Patty Hession	of Phi KAP
Chris Scobelock	of Phi KAP

ORGANIZED SISTERHOOD COUNCIL Holds First Greek Week

All sisterhoods participated in this exciting event, except for Order of Diana Sisters. It was a fun filled week of sporting events: track and field, swimming, billiards, volleyball, and chugging. Phi Kappa Theta sisters took the trophy as the overall champs. The week was capped off with the O.S.C. party at the victors house, where the air was filled with much spirit and unity.

Greek Week was a great learning and unifying experience for all of the sisterhoods and to all the individuals who participated. The O.S.C. Greek Week set a precedent that hopefully will be repeated on an annual basis.



Anytime now, we're ready!



Hey, hey, hey the gang's all here!



The next Pete Rose.



Miller Time.



Golden Hearts race to the top.



I'm ready to catch anything!



They've got the spirit.



And they're off!



What now?



Rho Mu flies to the finish!

PHI KAPPA THETA

Phi Kappa Theta is an Irish-Catholic Fraternity founded on April 29, 1959. Its aim is to uphold Christian beliefs and the ideals of brotherhood through campus activities. The officers are as follows: Barry Edwards — President, Robbie Krempasky — Vice-President, Shawn Brooker — Secretary, John Edwards — Treasurer, and Andy Ostrom — Parliamentarian.

BROTHERS: Rich Bier, Chuck Brady, Tim Carter, Mike Diemer, Andy Doris, Mike Doyle, Bill Farley, Tom Gordon, Tim Greene, Ronnie Grieg, Jack Hart, Pat Healy, Kevin O'Connell, Dave Pierce, Mike Rossi, Jeff Smith, Bob Suozzo. **PLEDGES:** Steve Donlin, George Faxon, Paul Judge, Clete Kresge, Chuck Lovin, John Magierowski, Kevin Mahoney, Jim Martin, Matt O'Neill, Michael Rosenello, Terry Schwarz, Neil Sullivan.





PHI KAPPA THETA LITTLE SISTERS

The Phi Kappa Theta Little Sisters Organization was reorganized in 1979. They work with the brothers of Phi Kappa Theta to uphold Christian ideals on campus. They have performed various service projects for the local community. The officers are as follows: Teri Dennehy — President, Laura Lathrop — Vice-President, Mary Lally — Secretary, Stephanie Wesley — Treasurer, Patricia Hession — Parliamentarian.

SISTERS: Teri Dennehy, Patricia Hession, Mary Lally, Laura Lathrop, Tracey Prather, Chris Schobelock, Stephanie Wesley. **ALUMNI SISTERS:** Teri Hyde, Jeno Hardy, Laura Rosko, Tracey McCaw. **PLEDGES:** Eileen Connelly, Bea DeFazio, Donna Diemer, Rosie Fantaci, Lizann Gannon, Erin Horan, Jody Johnson, Laurie Kelly, Christal Lusk.



SIGMA PHI EPSILON



Sigma Phi Epsilon was founded as a colony February 22, 1964, and as a chapter October 29, 1965. The purpose of the fraternity is to promote development through brotherhood. Our chapter and the more than 200 throughout the United States form the foundation for the brotherhood. By establishing our own identity, we strive to better ourselves in our actions towards others and God. Sig Ep adds to campus life by fostering a spirit of friendship among those in our fraternity and among non-members. Sig Ep also contributes to the social life on campus by participating in sports activities and through weekly parties. In short, we add a sense of unity and originality to our campus in an attempt to make it a better place to live. Our philosophy is to bring out the upstanding characteristics of each person in the hopes that he will conduct his life accordingly. The Cardinal principles of Sigma Phi Epsilon are virtue, diligence and brotherly love. We also seek to be of service to our community. Last year we repainted all of the city signs in Belmont. We are always willing to put time into a project for the benefit of others.





Sharon Riley — President
 Laura Cameron — Vice-President
 Maureen Donahue — Treasurer
 Jane Healy — Secretary
 Jo Anne Green — Special ways & means
 Karen Beam — Chaplain
 Tricia McInmail
 Robin Flanagan
 Donna Askew
 Kathy McMahon
 Pam Kelly
 Ronnie Zayatz
 Carolyn Mullally
 Allison Holmes
 Judy Probst
 Mary Zysk
 Jackie Reynolds
 Bridget Ryan

Cindy Diemer
 Maria Alejo
 Donna Bell
 Wendy Lorina
 Melody Dayton
 Kerrie Farren
 Joanne Gorniley
 Nancy Haselton
 Joan Hunt
 Kathy Lowry
 Mary Ellen McGlinchy
 Chris Rosato
 Wendy Westbrook
 Glenda Burnett
 Kelly Manger
 Missie Rogers
 Mimi Ortega



THE GOLDEN HEARTS

The Golden Hearts, a sisterhood affiliated with Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity was founded in 1969. We work with the brothers in attempting to achieve the goals of our fraternity, and strive to achieve the ideals of sisterhood within our own organization.



ZETA TAU ALPHA

Theta Lambda Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha is the only women's Fraternity on Belmont Abbey Campus. Theta Lambda was first recognized by the Administration in October 1976 under the name Delta Psi Lambda. In March 1977 the sorority petitioned to become part of the National Fraternity, Zeta Tau Alpha. The fraternity has over 85,000 women throughout the United States and Canada. The petition was approved in April of 1977 and one year later the sorority was officially installed as the Theta Lambda Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity.

Since then Theta Lambda has grown in love and sisterhood. The sisters have many social activities and collegiate-alumnae functions along with service projects for the National Association for Retarded Citizens (National Philanthropy) as well as the campus community.

Chris Schobelock—President, Susan Beall, Jean Everts, Lisa Howell, Robin Rae Millner, Missy Nolan, Jenny Putman, Betty Temple. PLEDGE: Terry Fordyce. TRANSFERRED OR GRADUATED FALL '79: Jane Reilly, Babs Rhyne.



THE PARTY'S OVER



ALPHA PHI OMEGA

APO National Service Fraternity, Rho Mu Chapter, was founded in January, 1967 by Don Turner. The three cardinal principles of the brothers of APO are leadership, friendship, and service. The most important being service; to the college, community, members of the Fraternity, Brotherhood, and to the nation as participating citizens. Its first house was located in the Music Building Annex, but was recently relocated in St. Leo's Hall.

1979-1980 President — Peter Kelly, 1st Vice-President — John Hanrahan, 2nd Vice-President — Steve Erickson, Treasurer — Louis Zepada, Secretary — John Kunkel, Sergeant-At-Arms — Bill Spillane, Historian — Bill Colella.

Bill Ahearn	Luke Lenahan
Joe Albertson	Jim McAllister
Jim Briscese	Mike McManus
Mike Bogdanowicz	Gene Nutter
Bill Capille	Scott Philipp
Mike DeFazio	John Pulvino
Vince Fallon	Russ Pulvino
Robert Fitzmeyer	Dan Robinson
Peter Glen	Ralph Suarez
Mark Hendrick	Tom Wood
Paul Keyes	





SISTERS OF RHO MU

After there appeared to be an interest in a service oriented organization among the women of both BAC and SIUC, the brothers of the RHO MU Chapter, APO, voted to start a sisterhood program. It was organized as a separate, but equal, body to work in conjunction with them.

One of the main purposes of the sisterhood is to help all persons discover themselves and to uphold a "standard of womenhood" that can withstand the test of time. It would create a code of ideals that could be respected by all. The sisterhood would be open to all women despite race, color, or creed. It would have the same principles and ideals of APO, but would be called the Sisters of RHO MU.

The three cardinal principles of the Sisters of RHO MU are leadership, friendship, and service. The most important is service; to the college, community, members of the Fraternity, Sisterhood, and to the nation as participating citizens.

The 13 original sisters were officially recognized as a group on February 17, 1976. Today, as well as then, the Sisters of RHO MU have sincere desire to put service to their fellow men ahead of selfish aims.

Diane Schuekenbrock — President
Ruth Anne Hanahan — 1st Vice-President
Kathy Saultz — 2nd Vice-President
Karen Van Sickle — Secretary
Charlotte Sappenfield — Historian
Tracey Flanagan — Historian
Rebecca Day — Parliamentarian
Bridget Hally — Sergeant-At-Arms

Lisa Birmingham
Julie Booth
Stefanie Bosco
Melody Dayton
Marie Gasaway
Mary Celeste Gleason
Eileen Gofigan
Karen Guagliardo
Moir Hally
Lisa Howell
Eileen Jewell
Mary Ellen MacDonald
Robin Rae Millner
Elena Morales
Sandy Morgan
Ellen Mulholland
Kitty Preston
Laura Perrucci
Laura Rowland
Liz Shaw





SPORTS

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VOLLEYBALL

The Volleyball team, this year under the direction of Coach Sharon Ratchford, had a disappointing season with a total of three wins and nine defeats. This may be attributed to the large number of away games that were played, however, the girls had a good time and are looking forward to a more impressive season next year. At the Athletic Banquet Anna Doris was presented the award for most improved player, Brenda Lucas received a plaque as most valuable player, and Geralyn Slough was voted best all around.



Missy Rogers, Brenda Lucas, Mary Ziak, Cammie Raimo, Jenny Rowland, Mary Beth Schmiedlen, Geralyn Slough, Tracy Prather, Nicole Lewis, Martha Bahakel, Anna Doris, Amanda Cleveland, Jo Ellen Hough, Coach Sharon Ratchford.



Most Valuable Player! — Brenda Lucas



Tr. Paul Brown, Mgrs. Joe Caserta, Anthony Bahakel



Sept. 17	Abbey 2	vs.	Queens	0
Sept. 19	Abbey 0	vs.	Catawba	2
Sept. 21	Abbey 2	vs.	Cohen	0
	Abbey 1	vs.	S. C. State	2
Oct. 3	Abbey 1	vs.	Cohen	2
Oct. 4	Abbey 2	vs.	Catawba	3
Oct. 10	Abbey 0	vs.	USC. Spartanburg	2
	Abbey 0	vs.	Fueman	2
Oct. 15	Abbey 0	vs.	Wingate	3
Oct. 16	Abbey 3	vs.	Queens	0
Oct. 23	Abbey 0	vs.	Gardner Webb	2
	Abbey 0	vs.	USC. Spartanburg	2
3 victories, 9 defeats				

ABBEY SOCCER

Abbey Soccer 1979-80 was a season of frustration and futility but a year of transition, development, and ultimately, hope. With only thirteen players on the roster and the most difficult schedule in years, a successful season was not to be. Resounding defeats by national powers, Clemson and UNC, made it more than obvious that Abbey Soccer had suffered a turn for the worse. To the credit of the team, despite the odds, their efforts and perseverance resulted in three victories over lesser opponents, UNC-Asheville, Catawba College and Warren Wilson. They suffered a tough loss to Wofford in overtime and tied Elon 2-up despite spotting the opposition two goals and playing a man short through the overtime periods. They finally finished the season with an overall record of 3-9-1.



David Pierce, Andy Ostrom, Bill Figaro, Jim Kirby, Mike Flynn, Chris Schnel, David Eichinger, Farid Babazadeh, Scott Phillipp, Ed Tuerk, Victor Ephrem, Miquel Suarez, Jim McIntosh, Frank Lawson, Rudy Van Oekel, Coach Jack Murphy.



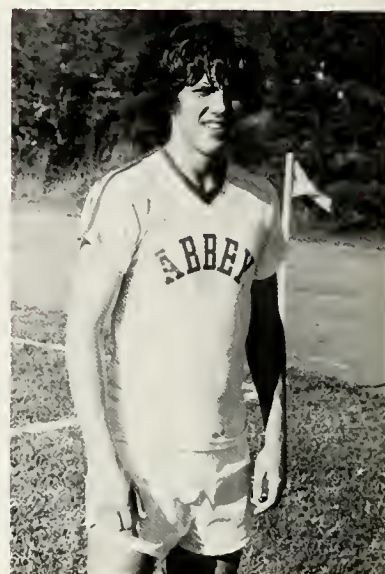


The team barely qualified for the District 26 playoffs and lost to High Point College 2-0 in the first round.

The indoor season offered the team an opportunity to redeem some prestige and restore its reputation. Through three tournaments the Abbey team, predominately freshmen, gained second, third and fifth places. They completed the indoor season with a 13-4 record and much optimism for the future of Abbey Soccer.

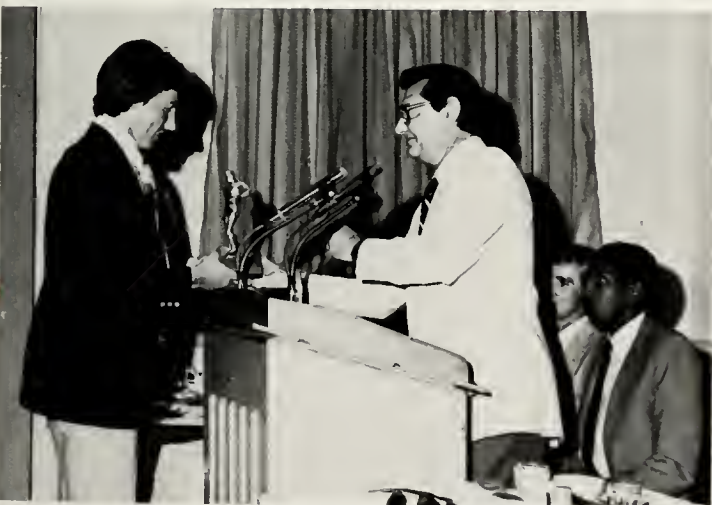
A strong recruiting year promises to bring hoped for successes and renewed interest in soccer on the Abbey campus.







Most Outstanding Freshman Awarded to Jim Kirby.



Dave Pierce receiving the Dr. Aizcorbe Award.







Belmont Abbey Soccer Alumni Game 1980.

CRUSADER BASKETBALL

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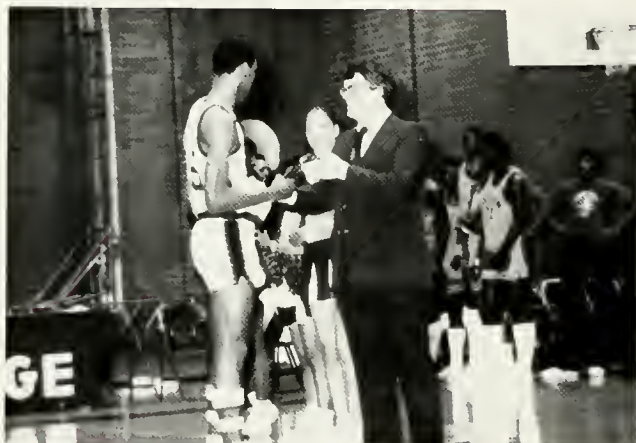
The 1979-1980 edition of the Belmont Abbey College Basketball was without doubt one of the finest in the school's history. Besides finishing the season with an outstanding won-loss record 29-5, the team claimed its initial WBTV Carolina Classic title by defeating perennial powerhouse and four-time winner of the Classic, Gardner-Webb, by a score of 70-52.

The team got off to a good start by dunking UNC-Asheville, 77-74, Friendship College, 97-64, and Wingate College by a score of 80-69. The Carolina Classic began with Abbey entering the tourney with a promising 3-0 won-loss record.

In the first round action in the WBTV Carolina Classic, held at the Wheeler



Billy Holmgaard, Reggie Holmes, David Kershaw, John Picinich, Greg Howard, Jere Howard, Stan Parker, Frank Pickett, John Magierowski, Ricky Rickman, Dempsey Cohen, Bobby W. Hussey, Lin Hollowell, Charles Barnes.



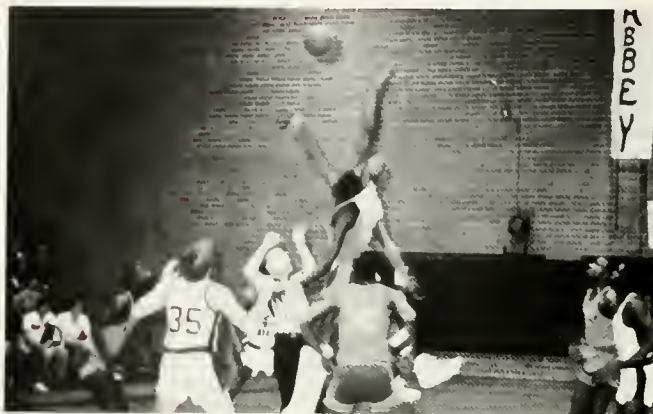


Center, Belmont Abbey College, the Crusaders defeated Catawba College, 96-85, against Pfeiffer College in the second round action, the Abbey emerged victorious by a score of 84-73, and then went on to upset the Bulldogs of Gardner-Webb in the championship round of the tournament by a convincing score of 70-52. Named to the All-Tournament team were senior co-captains Reggie Holmes and Billy Holmgaard, who was also awarded the Most Valuable Player Award. Thus the Crusaders ended the Gardner-Webb Bulldogs four year reign as champions of the Carolina Classic.

The team continued it's winning ways following the exciting conclusion of the Classic with victories over Livingstone College, 95-86, and Augusta College, 91-74, before making the scheduled northern trek to face St. Peter's in Jersey City, N.J., and Iona College in New York.

Sporting an unblemished 8-0 record the Crusaders arrived in Jersey City, N.J., home of the Gales of St. Peter's, with a slight case of jet lag but otherwise well. Unfortunately, the Gales took their turn at being air borne as Belmont Abbey College was bombed by an 85-53 margin. The team then







traveled to New Rochelle, New York to face powerful Iona College, but for the second time in ten outings, the Crusaders were denied, finishing up on the low end of a 54-46 final score. Notable performances were turned in by senior Reggie Holmes who grabbed ten rebounds and held Iona's All American center Jeff Ruland to only 8 points, and guard Frank Pickett, who also collected ten rebounds while clicking for 12 points.

Getting back on the winning track, Belmont Abbey College downed Augusta 87-82, Livingstone College, 101-72, Catawba College 86-74, and St. Andrew's 85-52 before falling to the Golden Bulls of Johnson C. Smith University by a score of 83-74. For the first time during the 79-80 season, the Crusaders did not occupy the top position in the NAIA District 26 ratings. The Abbey dropped to number two.

Two quick victories during the middle part of January against Pfeiffer, 78-69, and Atlantic Christian, 86-67, were sufficient to have the team reinstated as the number one club in the Dunkel ratings. Continuing to win convincingly, they recorded victories over Mars Hill, 68-61, Catawba, 84-81, Voorhees, 85-74, and Elon College, 65-55. Sporting a record of 18-3, the Abbey was traveling to UNC-Asheville when they encountered a tractor-trailer accident which caused them to be 15 minutes late for a game which was supposed to be underway at 7:30 P.M. The momentum just wasn't there, however, and Belmont Abbey suffered its' fourth loss that evening in a 74-57 rout.



What happened the last nine games of the season could only be called spectacular. Constantly under heavy challenge for the number one spot in the district ratings, the Crusaders fought tooth and nail to cop victories in each of the last nine outings preceding the playoffs.

The first victim was to be Wingate College who fell to the wayside by a score of 64-57. A 23 point performance by Holmgaard and a 24 point game by freshman guard Dempsey Cohen sealed another victory against Pfeiffer, 76-65. On and on it went, with Lenoir-Rhyne buckling under the pressure of the shooting of David Kershaw, who pumped in 18 big ones, and Reggie Holmes and Greg Howard, both of whom tallied 16 points for the night. The final score of that contest was 78-68. Elon fell 67-60. Johnson C. Smith was outclassed in a very tight second half ballgame, 90-84. Other victories against Mars Hill, 87-59, Lenoir Rhyne, 97-78, Allen University, 103-90, and Atlantic Christian, 79-71, sent the Crusaders into the NAIA District 26 playoffs with an impressive 27-4 record and a first place seed in the tourney.

In the first round action, the Crusaders played host to High Point College in a low scoring victory, 40-37. Dempsey Cohen led the Abbey with 12 points, while fellow backcourt ace Frank Pickett chipped in for 10 points. The second game of the playoffs pitted the Abbey against Elon College at



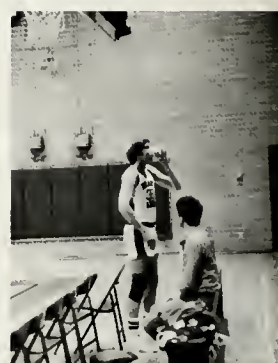




Greg Howard; M.I.P., Dempsey Cohen; Outstanding Freshman Athlete, and Reggie Holmes displaying his Leadership Award.



Larry Reedy & Cammie Raimo; in appreciation of jobs well done.





Winston-Salem, and again the Crusaders cruised to a convincing victory, 81-61. Cohen and Holmgaard were both hot, registering 18 points apiece in that contest. With that victory, Belmont Abbey College advanced to the championship round of the tournament.

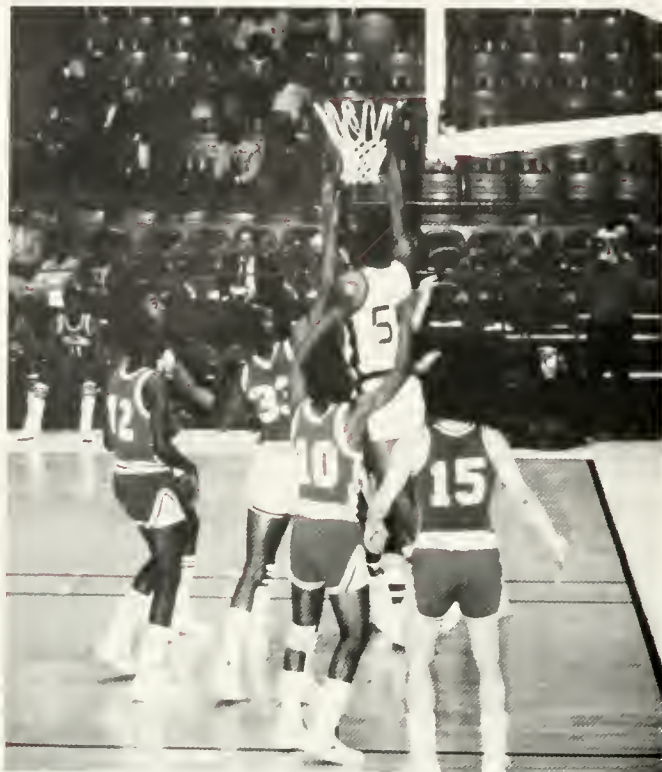
In the final round of play, the Crusaders fell to St. Augustine's by a score of 79-71. All hopes for an NAIA District 26 championship and a chance to play in Kansas City, in the National NAIA Tournament were ended.

Despite the disappointing finale, the season was spectacular. Head coach Bobby Hussey was filled with praise for his hallplayers, most of whom will be returning next year. "This was obviously a great season," Hussey explained, "in many respects. The statistics speak for themselves — WBTV Carolina Classic Champs, rated 12th in the nation among small colleges, and most wins in a single season in the history of the school, a record which has been immutable since it was set under the tutelage of Al McGuire in 1958. What the stats do not indicate, however, is the calibre of people who comprised this year's team. Everyone was willing to make many sacrifices in order to make the season the success it was. These athletes subordinated themselves to the team concept which was so well typified by the excellent leadership shown by senior co-captains Holmgaard and Holmes. This whole team just did a super job."

True, the team definitely did function as a cohesive unit, but there were also some very noteworthy individual performances. Leading the team in scoring was junior forward David Kershaw of Wellford, S.C., who was hitting at a clip of 15.3 points per game while helping out underneath with 5.3 rebounds. Holmgaard was close behind in scoring with an average of 15.0 points per game and 9.3 rebounds, while Reggie Holmes averaged 12.1 points per game and 8.6 rebounds. Dempsey Cohen chipped in for 11.9 points per game while Pickett averaged 10.9. Rounding out the scoring was Greg Howard, a junior forward from Burlington Township, N.J., who hit for 8.6 points per game.

The Crusaders finished the season averaging 78.7 points and 33.6 rebounds per game as a team, while their opposition averaged 69.5 points and 30.2 rebounds per game.







SEASON'S SCORES

Our Score	Name of Opponent	Their Score
77	UNC-Asheville	74
97	Friendship	64
80	Wingate	69
96	Catawba	85
84	Pfeiffer	73
70	Gardner-Webb	52
93	Livingstone	86
91	Augusta	74
53	St. Peter's	81
46	Iona	54
87	Augusta	82
101	Livingstone	72
86	Catawba	74
85	St. Andrews	52
74	J. C. Smith	83
78	Pfeiffer	69
86	Atlantic Christian	67
68	Mars Hill	61
84	Catawba	81
85	Voorhees	74
65	Elon	55
57	UNC-Asheville	74
64	Wingate	57
76	Pfeiffer	65
78	Lenoir-Rhyne	68
67	Elon	60
90	J. C. Smith	84
87	Mars Hill	59
97	Lenoir-Rhyne	78
103	Allen University	90
79	Atlantic Christian	71
40	High Point	37
81	Elon	61
71	St. Augustine	79

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Total Games Won 29, Lost 5

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BILLY HOLMGAARD

Very popular with both teammates and fellow students alike, Billy Holmgaard, who hails from Phoenix, Arizona, has done it all on the basketball court. After seeing limited action in his freshman year, he came back his sophomore year as a starter and literally led the team in nearly every category for the next three years. His senior year he led the club in rebounding, hauling in an average of 9.3 per game and finished second in scoring with an impressive 15.0 points per game. Having barely recovered from a bout with pneumonia, he was named the MVP of the 1979 WBTV Carolina Classic. He was selected to the All-District team in NAIA District 26, and he was named to the 1979-80 small college All-America team.

Little can be said about this gifted athlete that has not already been said by the press, but head coach Bobby Hussey is quick to point out that this individual is also a performer in the classroom. "Billy Holmgaard," explained Hussey, "is exemplary in every way. He is very popular and well respected by the press, opponents and fans. He is a classic example of the student-athlete concept: Those who perform both on the court and in the classroom."

As if the honors this guy has won already weren't enough, he will be singled out at the Sports Banquet this year to have his jersey, number 35, retired from future use, only the second player in the school's history to be distinguished in this manner. He is also the 1979-80 recipient of the Marty Thomas Award, given each year to the outstanding senior athlete in the school.

"An outstanding individual," Hussey related. "He was extremely productive while he was in college, and I'm sure that he will continue to be very productive in life as an alumnus."

Whatever lies in the future for this athlete, one thing is for certain, and that is that his absence on the court here at the Abbey will be sorely felt in future years.





REGGIE HOLMES

"He possesses some of the very finest human qualities I've ever had the privilege to coach," is the way coach Bobby Hussey describes his senior center Reggie Holmes. "He is an extremely motivated person with a great deal of pride in himself and his team. He has much more direction than most young people I know."

A native of Sumter, South Carolina, Reggie has been with the club for the past two seasons and has done a great job. During these two seasons, he has helped the team post 23 wins in his junior year and 29 wins in his senior year. En route to that 29 win season, Holmes averaged 12.1 points per game and 8.6 rebounds.

A real crowd pleaser because of patented "deltoid flex" slam dunks, he was also named to the WBTV Carolina Classic All-Tournament Team. Always one to rise to the occasion, he had some of his best games against the toughest competition. Very notably, he held All-American center Jeff Ruland of Iona College to only 8 points while collecting ten rebounds in that same contest.

Singled out to play in the North Carolina Senior All-Star game held at the Charlotte Coliseum, Holmes again displayed his winning stuff as he pumped in 25 points in a game which featured such nationally known players as Mike Gminaky and Bob Bender of Duke, Mike O'Koren and Rich Yonaker from Chapel Hill and Dudley Bradley of the Kansas City Chiefs.

A very compassionate young man, Reggie's future plans include teaching children with learning disabilities and social work. Whatever he does, the attitude which made him such a competitor on the court and gentleman off the court is certain to carry him through a very rewarding and productive career as an alumnus.



CHEERLEADING

Three cheers for our bubbling, vivacious, and electric Crusader cheerleaders!! The dependable Abbey squad was in attendance at every basketball game to lend support to the players and rev up the fans. Under the direction of Coach Carol Harkey, Tami Grier, Myra Moore, Vannessa Glover, Josie Carter, Jane Healy, Allison Black, and Judy Prost supported the crusader team in good times and in bad throughout the long season.



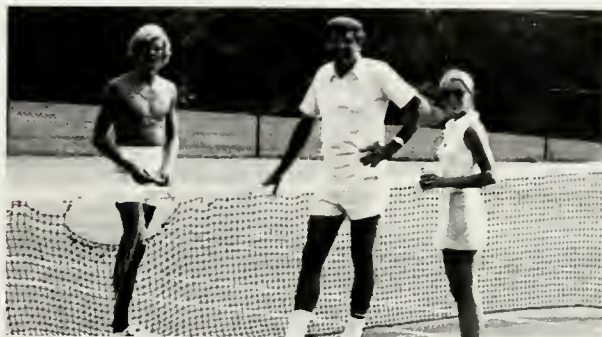


TENNIS

The Crusader Tennis Team, under the direction of Coach Mike Reidy, had another outstanding season this year finishing with an overall record of 12 wins and only one loss. Although last year's number one seed, T. J. Reily graduated the remaining netters accommodated extremely well.

Filling in the top spot of the Crusader line-up was Junior Roger Martin. Steve Reily brother of T. J. Reily held down the number 2 position and was the only senior on the strong Crusader Ladder. Martin and Reily teamed up to play number one doubles. Sophomore, Kevin Burke, the team's most valuable player, and most improved player defended the number three spot. Another sophomore, Scott Davis, played the number four position and teamed with Burke to play in the number 2 doubles position. Freshman Mike Sijon, number 5, was the team's Good Game Guy (sportsmanship) Award recipient. The number 6 man Andrew Doris played together with Sijon in the number three doubles position. Dennis Noble and Herb Hunter, number 7 and 8 respectively, rounded out the rest of the well-balanced Crusader Squad.





GOLF

This year's golf team, with Father Martin Hayes at the helm once again, endured a season of many ups and downs. After completing a strong fall performance, the Crusader linksmen were anxiously looking forward toward a successful spring. Wet weather victimized many of the season's early matches, forcing a curtailed schedule which never allowed the team members the valuable competitive experience necessary to maintain the confidence needed.

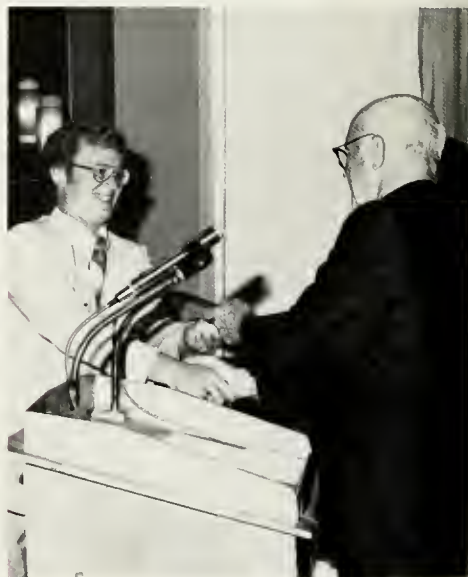
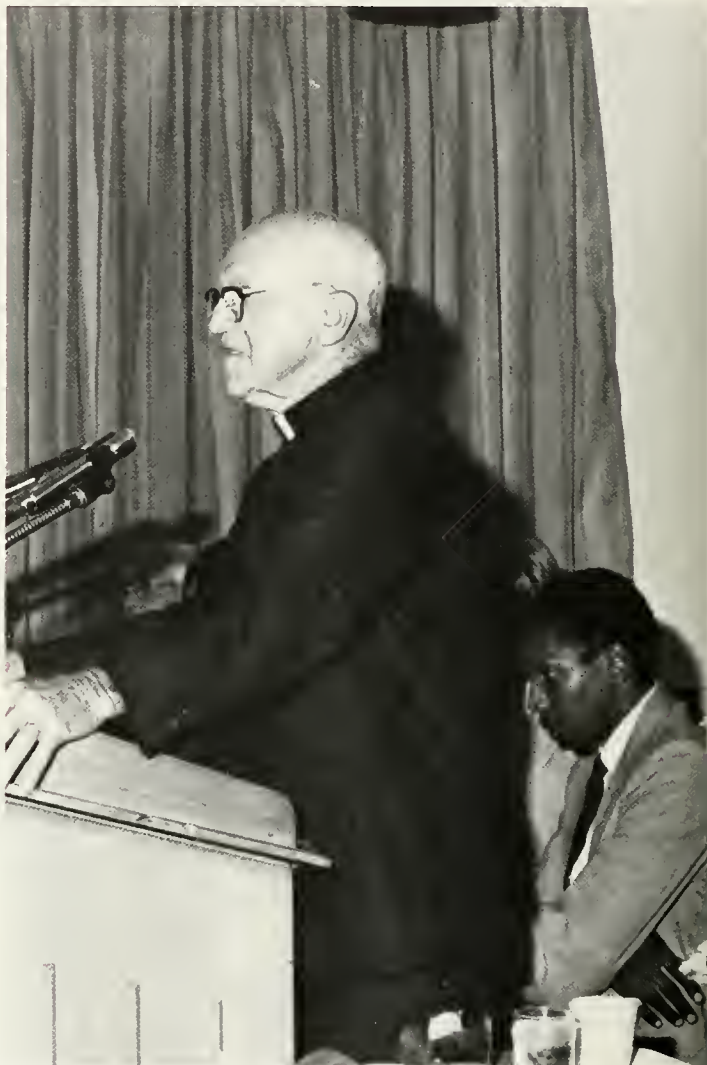
Although the team lacked consistency, the season was highlighted by many outstanding rounds. The apex of this year's edition was a runner-up finish at a mid-March match to a tough Wingate team enjoying a home course advantage. The Crusaders scored a team tally of 316, good enough to down tough opponents Catawba and Lenoir-Rhyne.

On April 18, the Crusaders hosted the first annual BAC Spring Classic at Gallagher Trails. Although finishing well back in the pack, the team turned in a good performance against a field of formidable foes which include the likes of Gardner-Webb, High Point, and Greensboro.

Members of the 1979-80 Crusader golf team included seniors Charlie Hofmann and Steve Naso, juniors Tim Greene and Clyde Arrowood, sophomore Denis Stokes, and freshmen George Adams and Paul Gover. While the team will sorely miss the steady performances registered by Hofmann and Naso throughout their college career, it is hoped that the experienced nucleus returning will provide the talent for a winning season.

Several members of the team were recognized at the season-ending sports banquet. These included Clyde Arrowood — Most Valuable Player, Denis Stokes — Most Improved, and Charlie Hofmann. Hofmann received a special citation for four years of excellent play.

Belmont Abbey's home course Gallagher Trails is in the process of renovation. It hopes to provide a fairer test of golf when the course reopens in the fall. Come September, the golfers of Father Martin Hayes will be on course hoping to represent the college community in the best manner possible.



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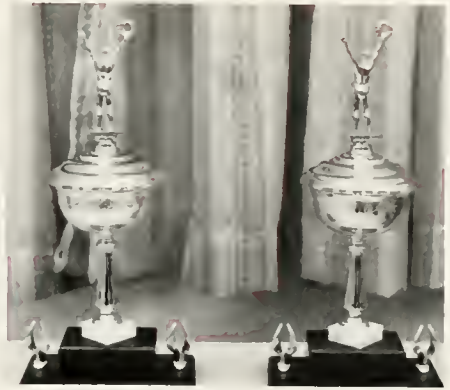
KUDOS!

The pictures here are a collage of Who's Who at the annual Belmont Abbey College sports banquet. The banquet held in Maurus Dining Hall is given to recognize and award the student athletes who contributed so much time and effort to the sports program. This year the coaches Carol Harkey (Cheerleading), Jack Murphy (Soccer) Sharon Ratchford (Volleyball), Mike Reidy (Tennis), Fr. Martin Hayes (Golf), and Bobby Hussey (Basketball) dispensed the awards. The most improved soccer player (MIP) was David Eichinger, Most Valuable Player (MVP) Andy Ostrom, Most Outstanding Freshmen, Mike Flynn, and Jim Kirby, and the Dr. Aizcorbe Award Winner was David Pierce. The outstanding volleyball players were MIP Anna Doris, MVP, Brenda Lucas, and Best All Around GERALYN Slough. Capturing two of the tennis awards was Kevin Burke who was voted both MIP and MVP with the Good Guy Award going to Mike Sijon. This year the Most Improved Golfer was Dennis Stokes, the MVP Clyde Arrowood, and Charlie Hoffmann For the Crusader basketball team. Bill Holmgaard was given the rebounder award, the outstanding gentleman award, and the Most Valuable Player. Reggie Holmes received the Leadership award, MIP went to Greg Howard, and Dempsey Cohen was the outstanding Freshman Athlete.



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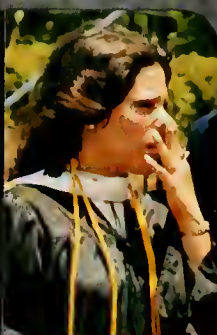




INTRAMURALS

Since Belmont Abbey College has few intercollegiate competitive teams a large and active intramural program exists, with opportunities for participation in badminton, tennis, water-polo, football, softball, and basketball, open to all interested students. In some sports fraternity teams and wings of the different dorms are pitted against each other; in others it is a small team, or the individual on his own. If you are interested in this ongoing and growing program, look for the notices posted around campus, or contact one of the coaches in the gym.







GRADUATION

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GRADUATION 1980

Graduation

One hundred and thirty-four students received the bachelor's degree from Belmont Abbey College in the school's 102nd commencement ceremony on May 11. Eighteen Belmont Abbey College graduates were awarded the Bachelor of Science degree and 116 received the Bachelor of Arts. Eighteen students graduated with honors, including four summa cum laude and eight magna cum laude graduates.

One of the noteworthy events of the day, the hooding ceremony, was held in a new location, against the backdrop of the Administration building. The graceful arches and proud facade of the old building complimen-





ted the bestowing of the hoods and honor cords by the President and Academic Dean. Despite the crowd it was an auspicious dawning of a final day on the campus.

The 1980 Graduation theme was the American Family in the year of the family, and both the commencement speaker and the baccalaureate homilist were selected with the theme in mind. The baccalaureate mass was held in the Abbey Cathedral with Abbot Martin J. Burne, D.S.B. of St. Mary's Abbey and President of the American Cassinese Federation delivering the homily. The congregation of graduates, parents, and friends, faculty and ad-











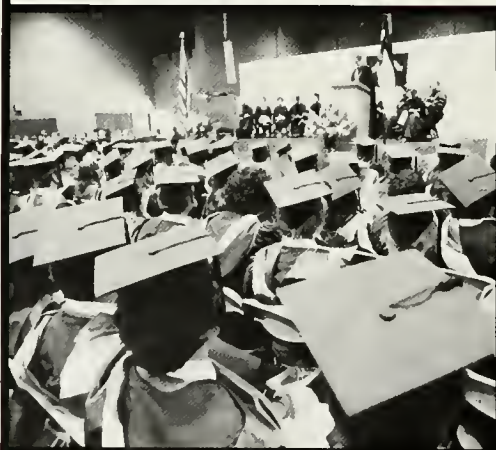


ministration, priests and celebrants, completed the picture.

Following the celebration a small reception with light refreshments was held on the front lawn of the monastery followed by a more substantial lunch in Maurus Dining Hall.

The graduates had the opportunity to reflect back on some of the events of their college career as they headed towards the ceremony in the gym. Four demanding years of study, four years of transition, four years of close relationships with fellow students and faculty, four years of exhausting partying ... It was all over — including the shouting.

Several honorary degrees were awarded preceding the presentation of diplomas. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Brennan of Charlotte were awarded

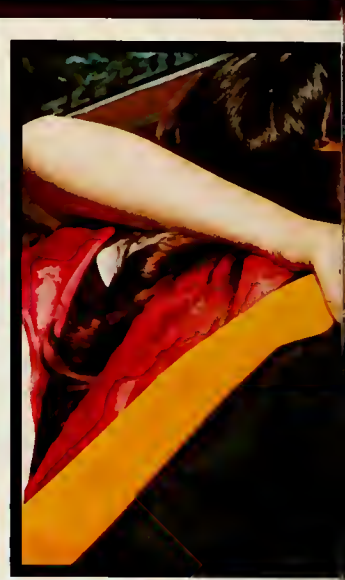


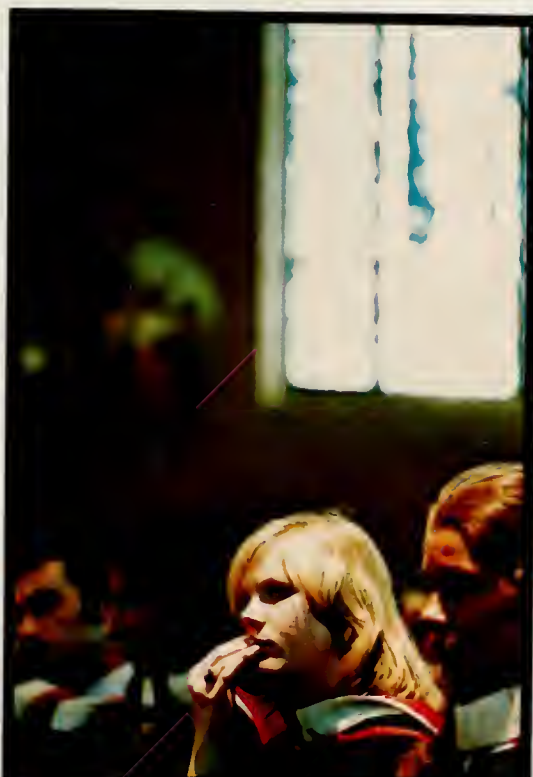


doctor of laws degrees. They were chosen by the college to represent the fathers and mothers of our country, in keeping with the theme.

The honorary doctor of laws degree was also presented to Dr. William J. Briggs as an educator who has contributed much to the community. Also receiving that of doctor of humane letters, was Abbot Martin, the homolist.

A quiet greeting and challenge by Abbot Peter Stragand, O.S.B. introduced by the Honorable Basil Whitner, and a few words from Fr. Neal Tobin, President of Belmont Abbey College, and a benediction by Fr. Oscar, student chaplain, completed the four years script.







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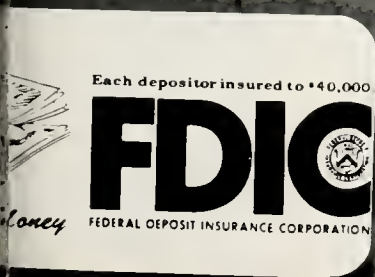
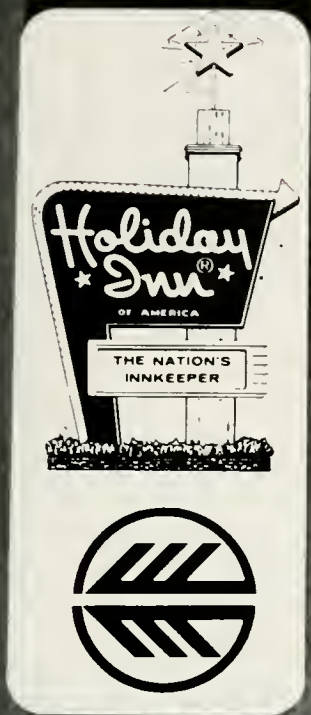
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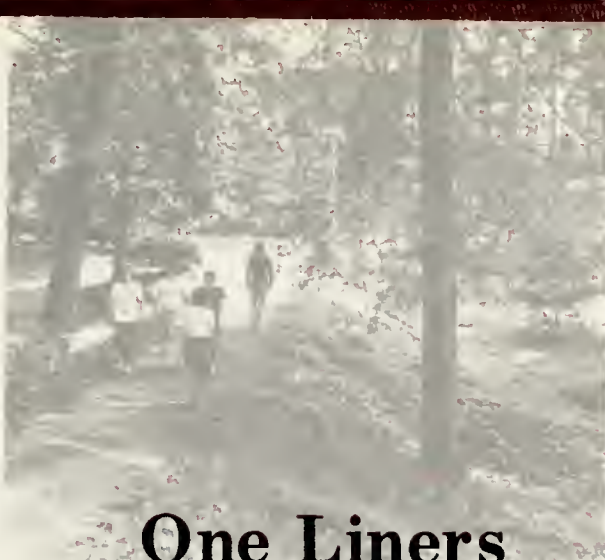
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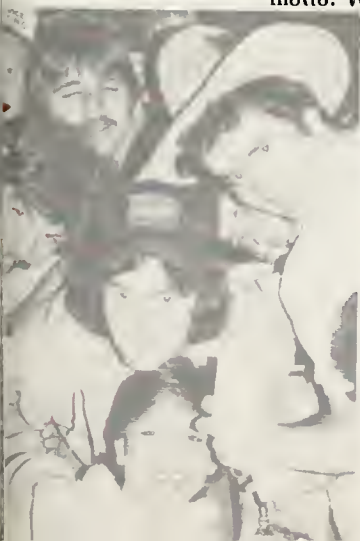


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People, let me tell you about my best friend, remember Matolly '79. To RB, Beallie, Pooh — EMC, EYM, Paw Prints, PLFA, Turtle. To Phantom Turtle Knapper — I need you always, The CM Knapper. Let's hear it for red-headed periodicals! Have a cookie little girl. Are you a turtle you old heffer? To Dip-pin Eggs, Porky, CD, and the Crickets and Kebo; luck and love Beanie and Cecil. Macho, 2 out of 3 ain't bad. Whatever happened to officer Eddie? Baby, these two years have been the best ones of my life, I hope there are many, many more. All my love always, Sunshine. Start a movement . . . Eat a prune. Good Luck to Karen and Maureen the original flamers. M.O.'s — M.O.'s. Chilli Bites, Chilli Bites, Chilli Bites, Chilli Bites, Chilli Bites. Basketball players do it with a double dribble! What's green and smells like Miss Piggy? "Yo Wench!" Bill and Janice's closes at two. Mama, Laura, Kitty, Jenny, Chris, Dan, and Armando same time next year! I love you Mama (see you in August). Whatever happened to weed one and weed two? I like TEA! Dr. Baker and Dr. Mcleod do it biologically. "Hoyea Chic!" Best wishes to IM and JF from KP. Remember our Hot Springs adventures my Peppermint baby. Oscar, Placid, and BG — you've been great! Yee Ha, Yes indeedy weedy. Loora, where you gowin'? Hi Richie, TOOTS! Good Times That Never Were: food fights, Cloak & Dagger towing in A lot, The Spring Weekend that never was, And TKE's new house. Three cheers for the administrative "head" of the drug and alcohol abuse committee. Cynthia Robin Oblesky: RB. Psi-O, things only we can share. Julie, "cute genes" Booth. Hello, Yane! Our sincerest apologies to all those inconvenienced on Saturday Feb. 15th by the rerouting of flight 375 Charlotte Bound (Winter Weekend). Orgasmic Chemistry and Chink 302! Dr. Jones, whose your designer? Did you know that Stan's snake ran away, and that his turtle is DEAD! Dr. Minn does it ethically. Keep up the good work JW. "Sips . . . Bites . . . Licks" Our Special Thanks to Abbot Walter from the Spire Staff. "Yo Fool". This bites a big one. The 1980 yearbook motto: We did it our way!

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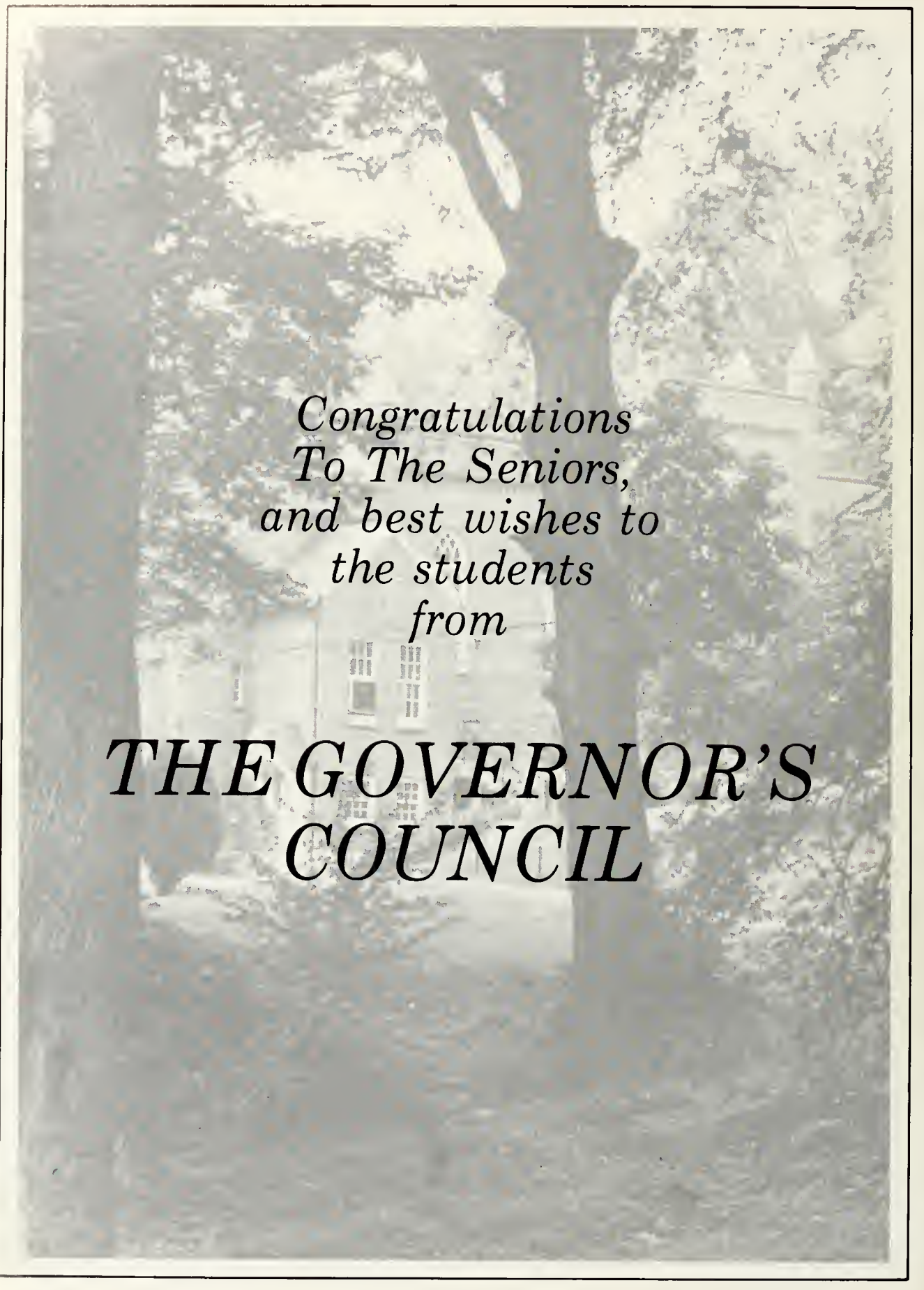


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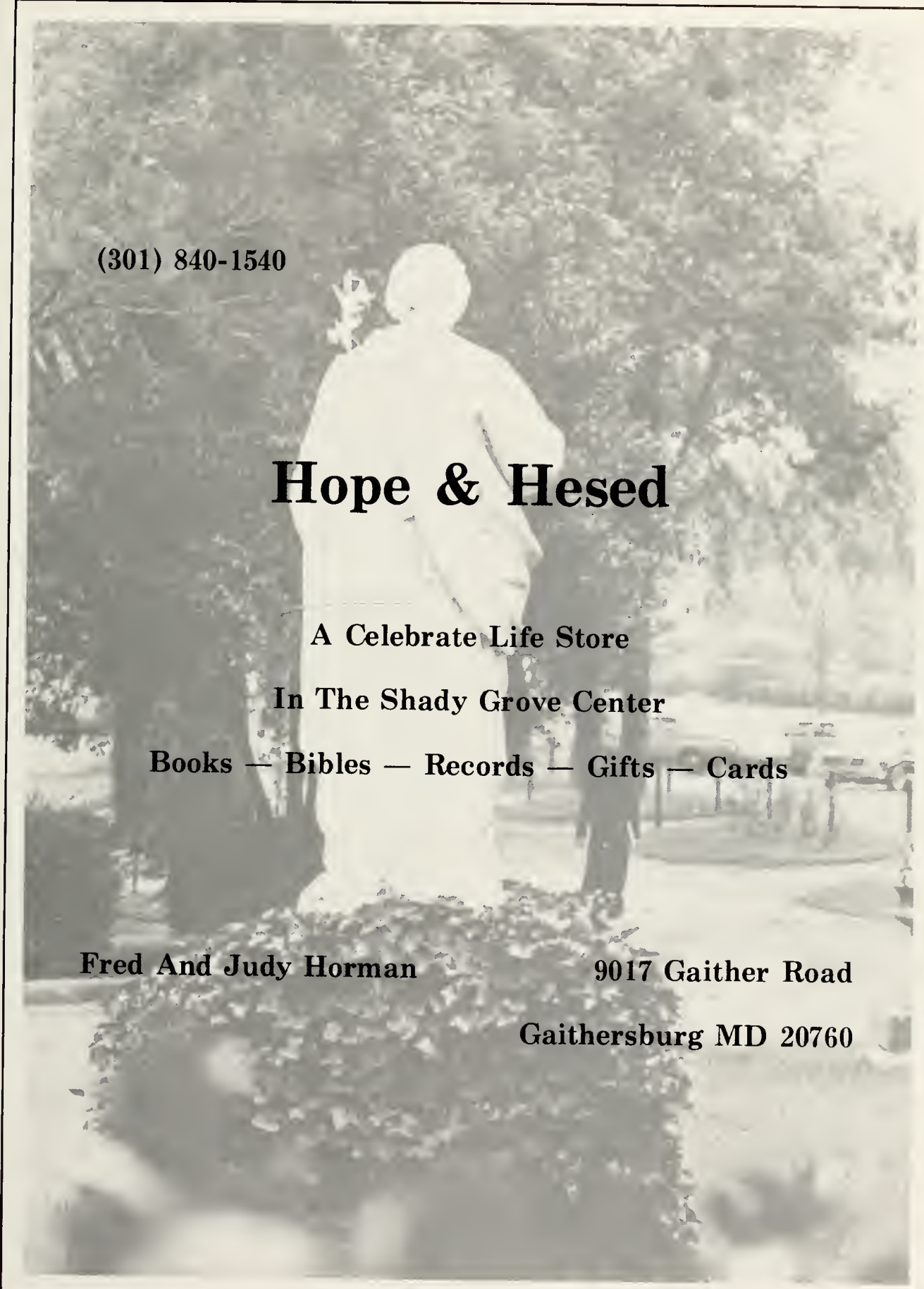
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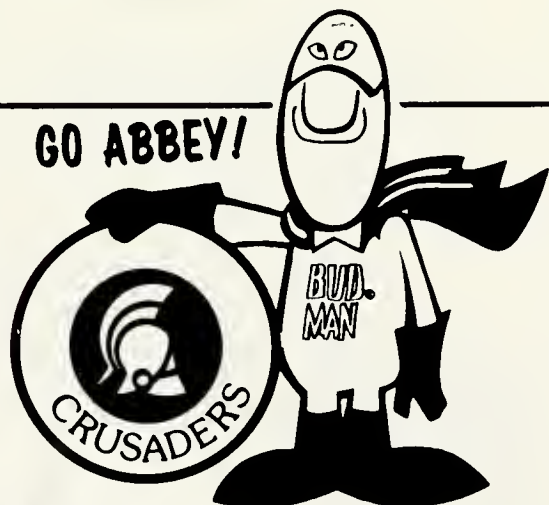
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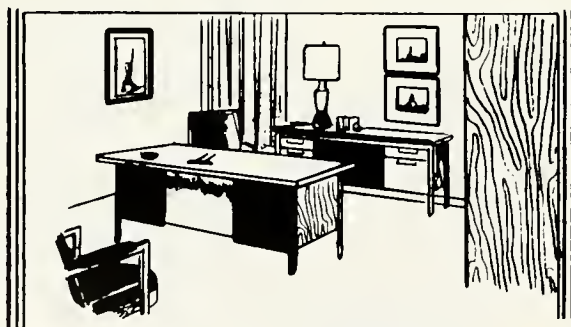
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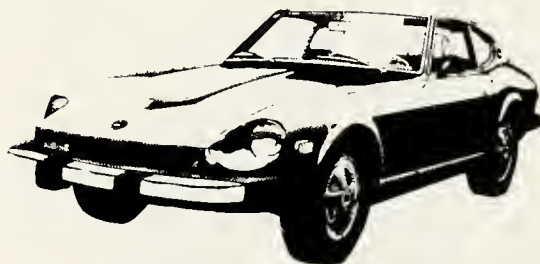
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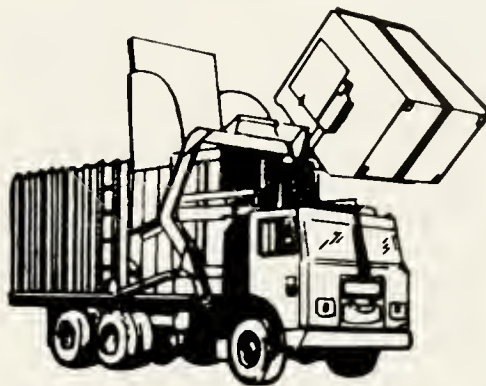


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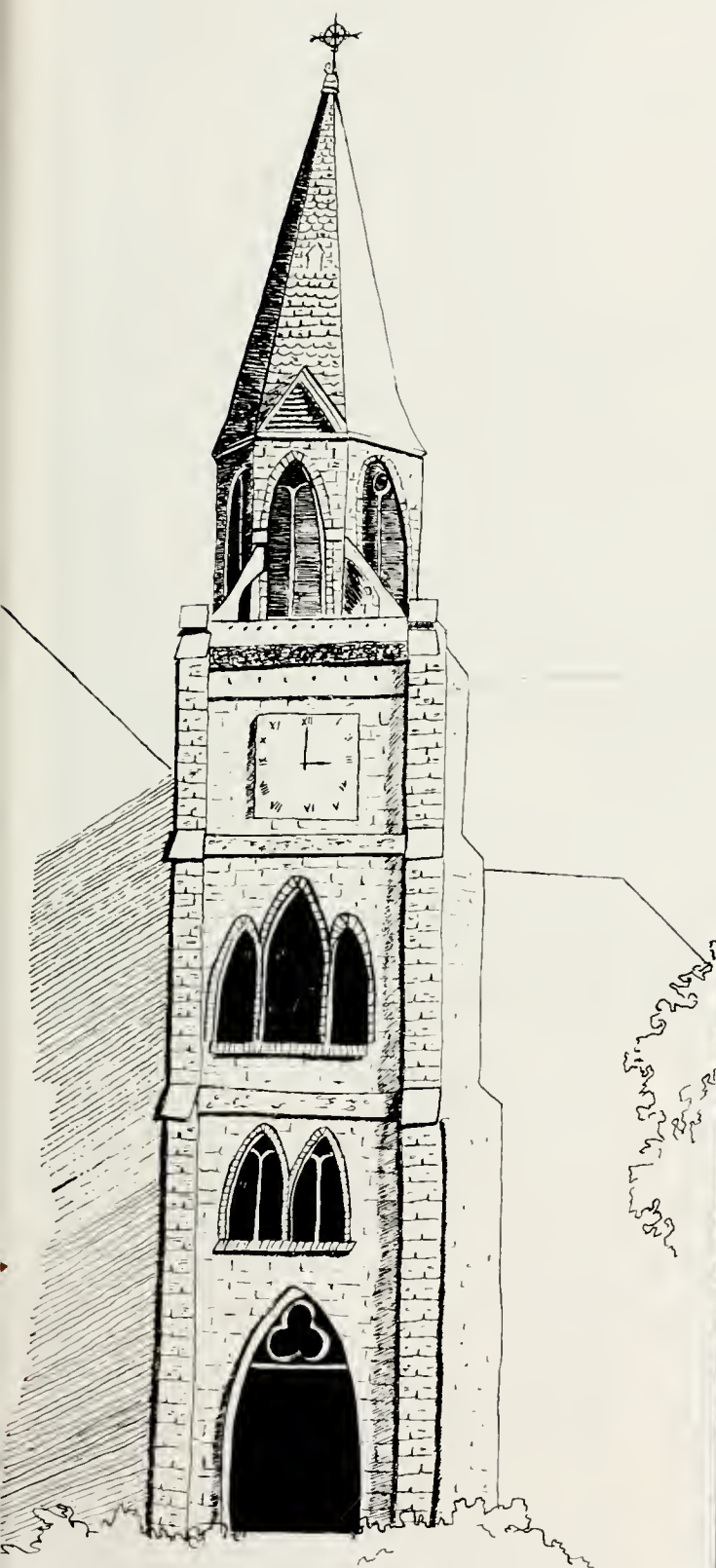


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And finally we would like to thank all those who constantly inquired about the progress of the Spire and gave the staff the inspiration needed to push on.





What a hell of a year it has been for those attempting to produce the 1979-80 Spire!!

In the beginning with no precedent, no budget, and no advisor a small but enthusiastic group got together and launced the Spire with a yearbook party. It was an uphill climb from there (something like Mt. Everest). After gaining a budget of \$6,000 and permission to raise an additional \$8,000, we then had to go out and raise it! There were also small problems like that fact that we, for the first 2½ months, had no office, no phone, and no materials. However, when we did find our old materials stored away, we quickly moved in a specious, 8 x 10, four white walled, room complete with running water from the bathroom pipes overhead. (And hot steam substituted for dry heat or none at all, which is better for staying awake on those all night deadlines.)

It seems we bit off more than we could chew, our ambitions in many cases exceeded our manpower, our patience, our time, and our ability. Such a task was this yearbook that it made many staff members quit, drove the editor to the brink of insanity and in general produced genuine frustration for our small but willing staff. This is why we have decided to dedicate this publication to those who worked so hard to produce it. Special recognition should go to Stan Barone who saw this book as an obtainable goal and organized, prodged, and bitched until it was done, and without whom the Spire would not exist. To Kitty Preston who held the purse strings, kept the accounts, and was in general miserly with the money. To Jenny Rowland who was our jack-of-all-trades and general moral-builder. To Ellen Mulholland, who with boundless energy was able to organize our activities section. To Laura Rowland who met all the seniors in her class in an attempt to track them down for pictures. To Tracy Flannagan, Chris Russell, and all those who camped out with us 'til the wee hours of the morn to make deadlines, and to Mr. "H", our moderator, who gave us a free hand to learn, grow, and make our own decisions. To all those listed below we dedicate this publication.

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E.F. "Bud" Gallagher
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It would be difficult to enumerate the many times and ways Bud Gallagher has quietly provided for the entire Belmont Abbey Community. Far too few members of this community, and especially the students, know just how much and how often that has been. Let them now be reminded of the deep debt of gratitude owed to Bud Gallagher.

ULTIMA IN MORTIS HORA,
FILIIUM PRO NOBIS ORA:
BONAM MORTEM IMPETRA,
VIRGO MATER DOMINA.

That's the way Benedictines say goodbye to their own. From the students of Belmont Abbey — Bud Gallagher, Ave et vale! Hail and farewell!



MARY COOK

Mary Cook, gracious chatelaine of the Presidents of Belmont Abbey College, doyenne of the Board of Trustees, collector of information about Belmont Abbey Alumni and friend to students, professors and administrators alike has finally chosen retirement. After 25 years of dedicated service to the college she was honored with a retirement dinner during Alumni Weekend and was presented a plaque for dedicated service by the Hon. Basil Whitener, chairman of the Belmont Abbey Board of Trustees on behalf of the Board. Mary may have retired from active service to the college but one who has been so deeply involved in the workings of this college will, we hope, continue to live close and will still welcome her many friends and admirers. AD MULTOS ANNOS MARY!



GILBERT FARLEY

Gilbert Farley came to Belmont Abbey in 1938 as a student and though he went to the University of Miami for a B.Ed. in 1950 and an M.Ed. in 1955 and to the University of Indiana for a Ph.D. in 1960, most of his interest centered in Belmont Abbey College. Years of service to the college as instructor, professor, and finally Chairman of Business and Economics culminated in 1979 with his retirement. Two score years of students at Belmont Abbey College have known Gilbert Farley as friend and professor. Upon his retirement his friends and former students established a scholarship in his name. Enjoy your retirement, Gil Farley, for you richly deserve it! Rest firm in the knowledge that your service to your students and to the college won the admiration of your peers and especially of Fr. Cuthbert Allen who said "Inevitably, inexorably and ineluctably, Gil ...".



MR. J. P. SMITH

Mr. J. P. Smith, stern-visaged professor of accounting and Treasurer of Belmont Abbey College was the font of financial knowledge, both theoretical and actual, for a period of 25 years at the college. Years of pretended miserliness never could deter this generous spirit and to the end he was a sucker for a sad story. Generations of students will remember him for the harsh greeting, the deep frown, the unfailingly willing ear, the fatherly lecture, and the practical teaching which made his accounting students so successful. He retired from teaching and from the Administration in 1979 and a scholarship was created by his friends and students to be a lasting memorial to his presence at Belmont Abbey. J. P. — God grant you and Amy good health and many years to enjoy your retirement.



DR. WINSLOW HARTFORD

Dr. Winslow Hartford came late to Belmont Abbey College on his retirement from Allied Chemical Corporation. Not too late however to head the Chemistry Department for a period and thoroughly inculcate a generation of Abbey students in the wonders of the environment. As a dedicated "prophet of doom" he lead many students and professors to appreciate delicate ecological systems, complex chemical formulas, the exigencies of wood preservation, the value of evocative stimulation, and above all the value of chromium in all our systems. Win was and is a gadfly and we think of him as constantly expounding, and let's hope nothing ever slows him down because he has been a marvelous inspiration for so many and such a generous font of knowledge of so many diverse kinds. Truly a man of many talents, put your retirement to its best use, Win, and keep right on —



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Is but a game and they let it
slip away
Love — like the Autumn sun
Should be dying but its only
just begun
Like the twilight in the road up
ahead
And all the secrets in the universe
Whisper in our ears and all the
years will come and go
And take us up always up*

*Dreams — So they say
Are for the fools and they let
them drift away
Peace like the silent dove
Should be flyin' but it's only
just begun
Like Columbus in the olden days
We must gather all our courage
Sail our ships out on open sea
Cast away our fears and all the
years will come and go
And take us up always up*

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